

# Warrant for the Annual Meeting

March 30. 1914.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex s.s.

To either of the constables of the Town of Acton in the County of Middlesex, Greeting:-

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify, and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to assemble in the Town Hall in said town on Monday the thirtieth day of March 1914 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, there and there to act on the following articles, to wit:-

Art. 1, To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2, To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: town clerk for one year, one selectmen for three years, one selectmen for one year (to fill vacancy) three overseers of the poor, town treasurer, collector of taxes, tree warden, four constables, four field drivers three fence viewers, all for one year, one assessor one road commissioner, one trustee of Memorial Library, one member of the school committee, one cemetery commissioner and one member of the board of health all for three years. Also on the same ballot with the above named officers to vote upon the following question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

The polls will be opened at 9.30 a.m. and may be closed at 4 o'clock p.m.

Art. 3, To choose all necessary town officers not named in Art. 2, and fix salaries.

Art. 4, To see if the town will accept the reports of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee, Library trustees and other town officers.

Art. 5, To hear and act upon the reports of any committee chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

- Art. 6. To see what amount of money the town will raise for the due observance of Memorial Day
- Art. 7. To see what amount of money the town will raise for the repairing and building of roads and bridges, or act anything thereon
- Art. 8. To see what amount of money the town will raise for the support of the Memorial Library the current year.
- Art. 9. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the care of cemeteries or act anything thereon
- Art. 10. To see what amount of money the town will raise for the maintenance of the fire department or act anything thereon
- Art. 11. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the enforcement of the liquor laws, or act anything thereon
- Art. 12. To see if the town will petition the director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of its accounts in accordance with the provisions of chapter five hundred and ninety eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and ten and the amendments thereof
- Art. 13. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of its selectmen, to borrow money for the town if necessary in anticipation of revenue the current year
- Art. 14. To see what action the town will take in reference to the extermination of the elm leaf beetle

- Art. 15. To see what action the town will take in reference to the extermination of the gypsy and brown tail moth
- Art. 16. To see what amount of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, the purchase of school books and supplies, the expense of operating the school plants, repairs and improvements upon school buildings and grounds, the transportation of scholars, and for other expenses relating to the maintenance of the school department or do or act anything thereon.
- Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to build a high school building the present year or act anything thereon
- Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to contribute funds for the erection at Washington, D. C. of a National Civic Hall as a Peace Memorial to the Father of our Country or act anything thereon
- Art. 19. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes
- Art. 20. To see what amount of money the town will raise for town charges
- Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for the payment of premiums on treasurers and collectors bonds.
- Art. 22. To see if the town will raise fifty dollars for an assistant fish and game warden as recommended by the state or act anything thereon
- Art. 23. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to be expended for setting out shade trees or act anything thereon

- Art. 24 To see if the town will vote to have the name of Luther Blanchard placed on the monument, or act anything thereon
- Art. 25 To see if the town will insure its help, or act anything thereon
- Art. 26 To see if the town will vote to put three electric lights on the road leading to W. H. Tieds one near the residence of Daniel Beach on Central Street, one at the electric road near S. L. Richardson and one at the bridge near the cemetery, all in West Acton also two on Stow road and some on Maynard St. South Acton, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 27 To see if the town will vote to change the name of the Town Farm to the name of the Simon Tuttle home or some appropriate name, or act anything thereon
- Art. 28 To see if the town will vote to change the name of the Town Farm road or act anything thereon
- Art. 29 To see if the town will vote to oil the streets through the villages of Acton or act anything thereon.
- Art. 30 To see whether the town will vote to rescind the action providing for the election of selectmen by rotation for periods of three years, and revert to the system of simultaneous elections for the period of one year as provided under certain acts of the Revised Statutes
- Art. 31 To see if the town will contract with the West and South Water Supply District of Acton for rental of their hydrants not to exceed one hundred in number at \$25.00 per year for fire purposes only

- Art. 32 To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and for price or act anything thereon
- Art. 33 To see if the town will vote to have all bills approved by the selectmen before payment, or act anything thereon
- Art. 34 To see if the town will rescind the vote passed at their meeting April 3, 1899, whereby they voted to choose three road commissioners and accept the provisions of Section 364, Chap. 560 of the Acts of 1907, relative to the election of a highway surveyor.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by pasting copies, attested by you in the following places, One in each of the post offices and railroad stations, one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co, W. E. Whitcomb, M. E. Taylor & Co, Tuttle & Newton, Finney & Hoyt, George H. Reed and one at the Stage House seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands in Acton this seventeenth day of March, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen

James P. Brown	Selectmen of Acton
Fred. S. Whitcomb	
Edward J. Stanley	

This is to certify that copies of the within warrant attested by me have been posted as directed by said warrant seven days before the time for holding said meeting.

William T. Stevens

Constable of Acton

Acton March 20, 1914.

# Proceedings of the Annual Meeting March 30, 1914.

The meeting was called to order by the town clerk at 9 o'clock a.m.

On motion it was voted to dispense with the reading of the warrant in full.

Charles E. Smith, C. D. Cram, and Herbert F. Robbins were sworn by the town clerk as tellers.

Art. 1, Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.

Art. 2, Herbert W. Lewis was appointed and sworn by the moderator to act as a teller.

The polls were opened at half past nine in the forenoon.

Voted to close the polls at 4 o'clock P. M.

The following is the result of the vote for town officers.

Town Clerk, Horace F. Tuttle 189 votes. sworn.

Selectman, for 3 yrs, Nicholas Samsel 152 votes sworn.

Selectman for 1 year, Charles J. Holton 167 votes sworn.

Assessor, for 3 yrs, William F. Stevens 173 votes sworn.

Overseers of the Poor, 1 year, William F. Kelley 157 votes sworn.

Edward J. Stanley 164 " "

Fred. S. Whitcomb 168 " "

H. L. Priest 1 " "

Treasurer, Frank W. Hoit 179 votes sworn.

Collector of Taxes, William F. Stevens 177 " sworn.

Constables, Edward S. Fokes 131 votes.

John T. McNeill 148 " sworn.

Herbert R. Moore 150 " "

William F. Stevens 161 " sworn.

Road Commissioner, 3 yrs, William H. Kingsley 178 " sworn.

Field Drivers, 1 yr, Frank W. Bullette 143 votes.

Henry L. Hayes 137 " "

Herbert R. Moore 140 " "

John T. McNeill 169 " sworn.

Fence Viewers, 1 yr, Charles J. Holton 142 " "

Nicholas Samsel 142 " sworn.

Edward J. Stanley 148 " sworn.

School Committee, 3 yrs, Edwin A. Phalen 152 " sworn.

Cemetery Commissioner, 3 yrs, Fred W. Green 152 " sworn.

Board of Health 3 yrs, Edwin A. Phalen 144 " sworn.

Trustee of Memorial Library, John S. White 161 votes.

Tree Warden, James O. Neil 155 votes.

Finance Committee, James B. Tuttle 149 votes.

Edgar H. Hall 160 " "

Asaph Merriam 144 " "

Horace F. Tuttle 160 " "

Arthur M. Whitcomb 161 " "

On the acceptance of Chap. 807, Acts of 1913 relating to compensation to laborers for injuries.

107 voted yes.

28 voted No.

On the question of the acceptance of certain Acts which provide that eight hours shall constitute a days work for town employees.

45 voted yes.

67 voted No.

On the question Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

41 voted Yes.

155 voted No.

12 blanks.

Total number of ballots cast. 208.

- Art. 3. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to appoint surveyors of lumber, wood, hoops and staves Chose. Luther Conant. Trustee of Goodnow. Term for 3 years.
- Voted; That the salary of the road commissioners be two and one half dollars per day nine hours to constitute a day.
- Voted; That the salary of the tax collector be one per centum of the amount collected and that he perform all the duties hitherto performed by said officer.
- Voted; That the salary of the treasurer be two hundred dollars per annum.
- Voted That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars per annum and the other members fifty dollars per annum.
- Art. 4 Voted to accept the reports of the several Town officers.
- Art. 5. No reports presented.
- Art. 6. Voted. to raise one hundred and twenty five dollars for the observance of Memorial Day.
- Art. 7. Voted to raise and appropriate (\$5000) five thousand dollars for building and repairing roads and bridges.
- Voted, to appropriate one thousand (\$1000) dollars additional upon the condition that the town receive an allotment of \$1000, one thousand dollars from the state under the "Small Town Act" so called.
- Voted; that the Selectmen petition the state for an allotment under the "Small Town Act".
- Art. 8. Voted; To raise four hundred and fifty (\$450) dollars for current expenses, and two hundred dollars for books.

- Art. 9. Voted; To appropriate six hundred dollars.
- Art. 10. Voted; To appropriate four hundred dollars and to raise \$184, one hundred and eighty four dollars for hydrant service in East Acton.
- Art. 11. Voted; To ~~be~~ appropriate the unexpended balance in the treasury.
- Voted; That the selectmen be instructed to enforce the law.
- Voted; That the selectmen be instructed not to grant any licenses to druggists for the sale of intoxicating liquors, nor any licenses or permits to express companies for the transportation of intoxicating liquors into this town this year.
- Art. 12. Voted; To pass over the article.
- Art. 13. Voted; That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenues of the municipal year beginning Feb 1, 1914 to an amount <sup>in the aggregate</sup> not exceeding \$20,000, twenty thousand dollars, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debt incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenues of said municipal year.
- Art. 14. Voted; To raise and appropriate 400, four hundred dollars.
- Art. 15 Voted; To raise the sum of money required by the state law.
- Art. 16 Voted; To raise and appropriate the sum of (\$18250) eighteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, and the dog tax for the current year for the purposes specified in the school committee estimates for the support of schools for the fiscal

Act 16  
Continued

year 1914-1915 to be found on page 9 of the annual report of the school committee for the year ending January 31, 1914

Act 17 The moderator appointed Willis L. Holden, Bertram D. Hall, and Frank Merriam as tellers, they were sworn by the moderator.

Voted: That the town build a high school building the present year.  
On the motion of E. J. Bonart, that it be built on the hill in Acton Center known as the Stoyes, Payson and Bonillard site

62 voted yes 78 voted no.

A motion to refer the matter of location to a committee of persons outside of Acton did not prevail

A motion to take an informal ballot on the matter of choice between the Kimball lot and the Franklin lot in South Acton did not prevail

A motion to postpone action one year did not prevail

A motion that the cost of a lot including grading shall not exceed \$600, did not prevail

Voted: That the building be located either on the Kimball lot or Franklin lot in South Acton

Voted: That when this meeting adjourns, it adjourn to meet in the Town Hall two weeks from today at one o'clock in the afternoon

Voted: That a committee of five be appointed by the moderator, to investigate the matter of building a high school building, to recommend a lot, describing it by metes and bounds, to ascertain the cost of the lot, to procure plans and estimates of the cost of a building and report at the adjourned meeting

The moderator appointed the following persons as the committee Edwin A. Phalen.

Edgar H. Hall, Charles J. Holton  
William Racutser Fred L. Burke.

Voted To lay the article on the table.

See also proceedings of the adjourned meeting page 14

Act 18 Voted: to pass over the article

Act 19 Voted: That all taxes shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1914 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1 1914, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1914 until such taxes are paid

Voted: That poll and personal taxes only be payable on demand.

Voted: That the collector shall issue summons for all poll and personal taxes only remaining unpaid

Sept. 1 That the collector shall collect all taxes committed to him within the municipal year in which they are assessed

Act 20. Voted: To appropriate (6250) six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars to be expended as follows: -

Town Farm	\$600.
Outside Poor.	1000.
Military Aid	100.
Printing	250.
Buildings and Grounds	250.
Police	200.
Board of Health	1000.
Salaries of Town Officers	2000.
Unclassified	450
Snow bills	200
Brush fees	200

Voted: To raise \$1500. fifteen hundred dollars for a reserve fund.

Voted: To raise and appropriate \$3500. thirty five hundred dollars. for lighting streets.

- Art. 20. Voted: To raise one thousand 1000. dollars  
continued. to pay the loan authorized by vote of the town  
Aug 5. 1913
- Art. 21 Voted: To raise and appropriate one hundred \$100. doll.
- Art. 22. Voted to pass over the article
- Art. 23. Voted to pass over the article
- Art. 24 Voted: That the matter be referred to a committee  
of three to be appointed by the moderator to report  
at a future meeting.  
The moderator appointed the committee as follows,  
Bertram D. Hall, E. F. Richardson, W<sup>m</sup> H. Hingaley
- Art. 25. Voted; To raise one hundred dollars to insure  
labors employed by the town
- Art. 26 Voted to pass over the article
- Art. 27 Voted to pass over the article
- Art. 28 Voted to pass over the article
- Art. 29. Voted: To appropriate five hundred dollars for  
paving roads. see page 16.
- Art. 30 Voted To pass over the article
- Art. 31. Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to contract  
with the West and South Water Supply District of  
Acton for the rental of its hydrants for the term  
of ten years at an annual rental of twenty five  
dollars per hydrant.
- Voted: To raise and appropriate \$2350. twenty three  
hundred and fifty dollars for hydrant service  
in the water district
- Art. 32. Voted: To pay twenty five cents per hour for  
fighting brush fires

- Art. 33 Voted: to pass over the article
- Art. 34. Voted: to pass over the article  
see proceedings of the adjourned meeting page.
- Art. 35 Voted: That the selectmen confer with the American  
Woolen Co. putting the matter up to them vigorously,  
and report at the next meeting April 13<sup>th</sup>.  
See also proceedings of an adjournment of this meeting page 13
- Voted. to adjourn to the time and place previously voted  
viz: the Town Hall. April 13, 1914 at 1 o'clock P.M.
- A. true record. Attest.  
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.
- Proceedings of the Adjourned Annual Meeting  
April 13, 1914.

The meeting was called to order at one o'clock  
P.M. by the moderator Allen Brooks Parker.

Voted; To take up Art. 4.

Voted; To accept the reports of the several town officers

Voted: To take up Art. 20.

Voted: To appropriate for town charges \$6250.

Voted: To raise and appropriate \$3500. for lighting  
streets.

Art. 35. A report was presented by the Selectmen in  
accordance with the instructions of the last meeting

Voted: That the Selectmen be instructed to extend the  
electric light service to North Acton by the  
way of the North Acton R.R. Station, ten lights  
to be installed in the North part of the town  
and the remaining fifteen to be placed at the  
discretion of the Selectmen in any part of  
the town

Art. 17. The special committee appointed at the last meeting presented a report in writing through its chairman Edwin A. Phalen.

Voted: To accept the report of the special committee

Voted: on motion of Mr Phalen: That the town purchase the Kimball lot, so called, situated in South Acton, and more particularly described as follows: a certain piece or parcel of improved land situated in the southerly part of Acton called South Acton, on the westerly side of Prospect St. so called. Bounded and described as follows: viz; Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the premises at a corner of a wall at said Prospect Street and at land now or late of Elnathan Jones, thence running westerly by land of said Jones and land of J. H. Wetherbee two hundred and ninety seven (297) feet to a stake thence running North  $82^{\circ} 25'$  West by land of Waldo Tuttle and by land now or late of Varnum Tuttle one hundred and eighty seven and  $\frac{5}{100}$  (187.55) feet thence running North  $0^{\circ} 55'$  - by land now or late of said Varnum Tuttle two hundred six and  $\frac{1}{2}$  (206.5) feet to land now or late of said Varnum Tuttle, thence North  $81^{\circ} 55'$  East ninety five (95) feet; thence North  $77^{\circ} 20'$  East thirty seven (37) feet thence North  $81^{\circ} 55'$  East one hundred and fifteen and  $\frac{8}{10}$  (115.8) feet, thence North  $85^{\circ} 15'$  East one hundred and forty seven (147) feet, on said land of V. Tuttle to a corner at land of J. P. Fletcher, thence South  $12^{\circ} 30'$  West  $73.5\frac{1}{10}$  feet to a proposed street, thence Southerly on said proposed street thirty one and  $\frac{3}{10}$  (31.3) feet, thence running easterly on said proposed one hundred forty eight and  $\frac{5}{10}$  to said Prospect Street, thence running southerly on said Prospect St. one hundred and ninety eight feet to the corner and bound first mentioned, and that the town build on said lot a high school; the building to cost not over thirty one thousand dollars

including equipment and land, that the land shall cost not to exceed Two thousand dollars. The following amendment offered by Luther Conant did not prevail;

Provided that any committee chosen to carry out this vote shall expend no money and enter into no contract or other obligation whereby the town is sought to be bound until a deed conveying a good and sufficient title to the proposed location shall have been first presented to the town without any charge or obligation on the part of the town and have been first recorded in the registry of deeds for Middlesex County.

Voted: on motion of Mr Rawitser that a committee of five be chosen to purchase said site and to erect said school building and to have full power and discretion to do all things necessary or proper in connection therewith, No site other than the Kimball lot, so called, located in South Acton shall be purchased by the committee chosen under this vote without referring to the town for further instructions

The following motion was also presented by Mr Rawitser. That the sum of thirty one thousand (\$31,000) dollars be and hereby is appropriated for this purpose and that this sum be raised by the issuing of twenty notes or bonds of the town of Acton in amounts of \$1,550, fifteen hundred and fifty dollars each therefor, said notes or bonds to be payable one each year, beginning not more than one year after the date of issue of the first note or bond, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the first note or bond. All notes or bonds issued under the authority of this vote shall be at a rate of interest not exceeding four per cent per annum.

Voted: That the vote on this motion be taken by ballot  
 Baltham D Hall, Charles E Smith, Ernest R Teale  
 and Frank Merriam were appointed and sworn by  
 the moderator to act as tellers

The result of the ballot taken was

Yes. 147. No. 83.

A motion offered by Mr Nash that the town raise  
 and appropriate the sum of thirty one thousand  
 dollars to build a high school did not prevail

A motion to adjourn did not prevail

The chairman of the school committee asked  
 for instructions relative to making a contract  
 with the Town of Concord for the tuition of Acton  
 pupils admitted to its high school

It was voted to leave the matter with the  
 school committee

On motion of Mr Merriam a vote of thanks was  
 given to the special committee

Art. 29. Voted: To appropriate \$500. to oil the roads.

Art. 34. Voted: To reconsider the action of the last  
 meeting

Voted: To rescind the vote passed Apr 3. 1899  
 whereby the town voted to elect three road  
 commissioners and that the selectmen be  
 instructed to appoint a Superintendent of Streets

Voted: To accept the minutes of the meeting

Voted: to adjourn.

A true record attest.

Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

## Warrant for a Special Meeting

May 7 1914.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex. S.S.

To either of the constables of the Town of Acton  
 in the County of Middlesex Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
 you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants  
 of the Town of Acton qualified to vote in elections and  
 town affairs to assemble in the town hall in said  
 town on Thursday evening the seventh day of May  
 1914 at eight o'clock.

Then and there to act on the following articles, to wit

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to choose or appoint  
 a committee of free citizens to purchase a certain  
 parcel of land commonly called the Kimball lot.  
 Situated on the westerly side of Prospect Street in  
 that part of Acton called South Acton and  
 erect on said lot a building to be used for a  
 high school and to equip the same and to have  
 full power and discretion to do all things necessary  
 or proper in connection therewith also to raise  
 and appropriate or borrow the sum of thirty one thousand  
 (\$31000) dollars for the purpose of purchasing said  
 parcel of land and erecting thereon a building to be  
 used for a high school and to equip the same or act  
 anything thereon

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting  
 copies attested by you in the following places, One  
 in each of the post offices and railroad stations, One  
 in each of the stores of C H Mead & Co, W. E. Whitcomb  
 M. E. Taylor & Co, Tuttle & Newton, Finney & Hoyt  
 George H. Reed, and one at the Mayor's House, seven  
 days at least before the time appointed for holding  
 said meeting.

Given under our hands in Acton this twenty fifth

day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen

Edward J. Stanley } Selectmen of  
Charles J. Holton } Acton  
Nicholas Samsel }

This is to certify that attested copies of the within warrant have been posted as directed by the selectmen seven days before the time appointed for holding said meeting

William F. Stevens

Constable of Acton

Acton Mass. April 30, 1914

Proceedings of the Special Meeting.  
May 7<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.

Edgar H. Hall raised the point of order that the warrant did not contain the words, "Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant etc."

The moderator ruled against the point of order.

Mr Rawdson moved to proceed to business

The moderator so ordered.

Art. 2. The proceedings of the last meeting were read.

It was moved by Mr Rawdson, That the sum of thirty one thousand (31000) dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a suitable site and erecting thereon a building to be used for a high school and equipping the same, and that for this purpose the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow the sum of thirty one thousand (31000) dollars and to issue twenty bonds or notes of the town therefor, ten of said notes or bonds to be of sixteen hundred dollars each and ten of fifteen hundred dollars each said bonds or notes to be payable one each year beginning not later than one year after the date of the issue of the first note or bond, so that all of said notes or bonds shall be

paid in not more than twenty years after the date of issue of the first note or bond. (bonds or notes of the larger denomination being payable first) with interest thereon at a rate not exceeding four per centum per annum payable semi annually.

Voted, That the vote on the motion of Mr Rawdson be taken by ballot, printed or written, yes or no.

Ernest R. Teale, Charles E. Smith, Herbert F. Robbins and Frank Merriam were appointed tellers.

The vote on the motion was declared as follows:-

Yes. 160. No 162.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest.

Horace F. Tuttle.

Town Clerk.

Warrant for State Primary Election  
September 22, 1914

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton greeting: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the polling place of the precinct to which they respectively belong, namely:

Precinct 1. Town Hall.

Precinct 2. The Universalist Church in South Acton

Precinct 3. The Fire House in West Acton

on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 1914

at six o'clock P. M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following Officers:

Governor

Lieut Governor

Secretary of the Commonwealth

Treasurer and Receiver General.  
 Auditor Attorney General Representative in  
 Congress, Councillor, Senator One Representative  
 in General Court, 11<sup>th</sup> Mid. District  
 County Commissioner for Middlesex County  
 And for the election of the following officers:  
 District Member of State Committee for each political party  
 for the 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District  
 Five members of the Town Committee Democratic  
 Five members of the Republican Town Committee  
 Fifteen members of the Progressive Party Town Com-  
 -mittee Delegates to State Conventions of Political Parties  
 All the above candidates and officers are to be voted  
 for upon one ballot. The polls will be open from  
 6. P. M. to 10. P. M. And you are directed to  
 serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof  
 seven days at least before the time of said meeting  
 as directed by vote of the town  
 Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant  
 with your doings thereon at the time and place of said  
 meeting  
 Given under our hands this fifteenth day of September  
 A. D. 1914

Nicholas Sansel. } Schoolmen of  
 Edward J. Stanley } Acton  
 Charles J. Holton. }

I hereby certify that attested copies of the  
 within warrant have been duly posted seven days  
 before the time appointed for holding said meeting

William F. Storrens  
 Constable of Acton

Acton Sept 15, 1914

## Record of the State Primary Election September 22, 1914.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the Town of Acton  
 held in accordance with the foregoing warrant,  
 all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and  
 declaration thereof made as by law directed, and  
 the following is a true record of the names of all  
 persons voted for, the number of votes for each person,  
 and the title of the office for which he was proposed.  
 Votes for the candidates of the Republican Party

Governor.	Precinct 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3.	Total
Samuel W. McCall.	18	8	28	54
Blanks.	1	2	0	3
Lieut Governor.				
Lyafston D. Cushing	7	7	9	23
August H. Goetting	9	3	16	28
Elmer A. Stevens	2	0	1	3
Blanks.	1	0	2	
Secretary				
Frank L. Brier	1	1	5	7
William S. Kinney	2	3	2	7
Albert P. Langtry	15	6	16	37
Blanks.	1	0	5	6
Treasurer				
Charles L. Burritt	9	4	13	26
Frederick E. Pierce.	9	6	10	25
Blanks.	1	0	5	6
Auditor				
George B. Cook	10	6	7	23
Joseph H. Moxette.	8	4	11	23
Blanks.	1	0	10	11
Attorney General				
Henry C. Atwood	1	0	9	10
John A. Burton	2	0	5	7
James M. Hallenell	6	2	2	10

	Pre 1.	Pre 2	Pre 3	total
John J. Higgins	3	6	5	14
James A. Stiles	6	2	2	10
Blanks.	1	0	5	6
Congressman				
John Jacob Rogers.	18	10	23	51
Blanks.	1	0	5	6
Councillor				
Henry C. Mulligan	14	9	14	37
Blanks.	5	1	14	20
Senator				
Charles A. Kimball	18	10	25	53
Otto. Reither	0	0	1	1
Blanks.	1	0	2	3
Representative in General Court				
Edgar H. Hall.	17	7	26	50
Blanks.	2	3	2	7
County Commissioner				
Frederic P. Barnes	4	1	4	9
Levi S. Gould.	13	8	14	35
Julius Meyers.	1	1	2	4
Blanks.	1	0	8	9
State Committee				
Louis Pfeiffer	17	10	18	45
Blanks.	2	0	10	12
Delegates to State Convention				
Lyman C. Taylor.	18	10	22	50
James A. Grimes	16	10	23	49
Blanks.	4	0	11	15
Town Committee				
James A. Grimes	18	9	20	47
Frank W. Huit	18	7	21	46
Lyman C. Taylor	18	9	19	46
Anson C. Peper	18	9	20	47
Frank R. Knavolton	18	9	19	46
Charles J. Holton	18	9	18	45
Moses C. Taylor	18	9	20	47
David C. Hance	17	9	19	45
Horace F. Tindle	18	9	17	46
Blanks.				

Votes for the candidates of the Democratic Party.

	Pre 1	Pre 2	Pre 3	total
Governor.				
David J. Walsh.	1	2	8	11
Blanks.	0	0	1	1
Lieut Governor.				
Edward P. Barry	1	2	8	11
Blanks.	0	0	1	1
Secretary				
Frank J. Donahue	1	2	8	11
Blanks.	0	0	1	1
Treasurer				
Frederick W. Mansfield	1	2	7	10
Blanks.	0	0	2	2
Auditor				
Frank H. Pope	1	2	8	11
Blanks.	0	0	1	1
Attorney General				
Thomas J. Boynton	1	2	7	10
Blanks.	0	0	2	2
Congressman				
J. Joseph Connor	1	2	6	9
Blanks.	0	0	3	3
Councillor				
John J. Hogan	1	2	6	9
Blanks.	0	0	3	3
Senator				
Thomas S. Cuff	1	1	6	8
Henry P. Dunn.	0	1	0	1
Blanks.	0	0	3	3
Representative in General Court				
Nicholas Samsel	1	2	5	8
Blanks	0	0	4	4
County Commissioner				
John J. Butler	0	0	1	1
Charles F. McCarthy	1	2	4	7
John B. McCloskey	0	0	0	0
Peter J. McLaughlin	0	0	0	0
Michael M. Connor	0	0	0	0

William H. Walsh	0	0	2	2
Blanks.	0	0	2	2
State Committee				
William H. Small.	0	2	7	9
Blanks.	1	0	2	3
Delegate to State Convention				
William F. Kelley	1	2	8	11
Blanks.	0	0	1	1
Town Committee				
William F. Kelley	1	2	7	10
Edwin T. Swift	1	2	7	10
David R. Hensley	1	2	7	10
Thomas H. Carson	1	2	7	10
William C. Coughlin	1	2	7	10
Blanks.				

### Votes for the candidates of the Progressive Party.

Governor.	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Joseph Walker	3	8	6	17
Blanks.	0	1	0	1
Lieut Governor				
James P. Magenis	3	6	5	14
Blanks.	0	3	1	4
Secretary				
Russell A. Wood.	3	7	6	16
Blanks.	0	2	0	2
Treasurer				
Daniel J. Murphy	3	7	5	15
Blanks.	0	2	1	3
Auditor				
Fredrick P. Glazier	3	7	6	16
Blanks.	0	2	0	2
Attorney General				
John Hildreth	3	7	5	15
Blanks.	0	2	1	3

Congressman	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
William A. Osgood.	3	7	5	15
Blanks.	0	2	1	3
Councillor				
M. Leod	0	1	0	1
Blanks.	3	8	6	17
Senator				
Allen Brooks Parker	3	6	6	15
Blanks.	0	3	0	3
Representative in General Court				
John L. Kennison	0	0	0	0
Nicholas Samsel	3	9	5	17
Blanks.	0	0	1	1
County Commissioner				
George A. Goodwin	3	7	5	15
Blanks.	0	2	1	3
State Committee				
M. Leod	2	3	3	8
Samsel	0	1	0	1
Blanks.	1	5	3	9
Delegates to State Convention				
Allen Brooks Parker	3	6	6	15
Nicholas Samsel	3	8	6	17
Charles A. Durkee	3	7	6	16
Blanks.				
Town Committee				
Bertram E. Hall.	3	6	6	15
Charles A. Durkee	3	6	6	15
Ernest R. Teale	3	6	6	15
Nicholas Samsel	3	6	6	15
George E. Clapp	3	6	6	15
Frank L. Stiles	3	6	6	15
Allen Brooks Parker	3	6	6	15
William H. Hensley	3	7	6	16
Sidney J. White	3	6	6	15
Joseph Parker	3	6	6	15
Bertram S. Holt	3	6	6	15
Nelson J. Cole	3	6	6	15
Miller L. Holden	3	6	6	15
John Stebbins Moore	3	6	6	15
Frank H. Holden	3	7	6	16
Total number of ballots, Rep. party	19	10	28	57
" " " " Dem. "	1	2	9	12
" " " " Prog. "	3	9	6	18

A true record. Attest

Horace F. Tuttle

Town Clerk

# State Election Nov. 3, 1914.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex s.s.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton,  
in the County of Middlesex Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth  
of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of  
the Town of Acton and particularly the legal voters  
thereof to meet at the polling places to which they  
respectively belong on Tuesday the 3<sup>d</sup> day of November  
A.D. 1914, at 6.30 o'clock A.M. there and there to  
bring in their votes on one ballot for

Governor, Lieut Governor, Secretary Treasurer and  
Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General,  
Representative in Congress for the 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional  
District, Councillor for the 6<sup>th</sup> Councillor District  
Senator for the 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District  
Representative in the General Court for the 11<sup>th</sup> Mid  
Representative District

One County Commissioner for Middlesex County  
and on the same ballot to bring in their votes on the  
acceptance of Chapter 217 Acts of 1914 entitled "An act  
relative to vacations of laborers employed by cities and  
towns: and on the acceptance of Chapter 688 Acts  
of 1914 entitled "An act to make Saturday a half  
holiday for laborers, workmen and mechanics employed  
by or on behalf of the Commonwealth and otherwise  
to regulate their employment

And on the acceptance of Chapter 790 Acts of 1914  
entitled "An act to abolish enrolment of members  
of political parties and to limit the membership of  
ward and town committees

The polling places in the several precincts will  
be as follows

Precinct One in the Town Hall

Precinct Two in the vestry of the Universalist Church  
South Acton

Precinct Three in the Fire House West Acton

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant  
by posting copies attested by you in the following  
places: One in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co,  
W. E. Whitcomb, George H. Reed, M. E. Taylor & Co  
Liddle & Newton, Finney & Hoyt, one at the Mayor  
House, one in each of the Railroad Stations and  
Post Offices in the town at least seven days  
before the time appointed for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this  
warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen  
or town clerk on or before the time for holding said  
meeting

Given under our hands in Acton this  
nineteenth day of October A.D. 1914

Nicholas Samsel Selectman of  
Charles J. Holton Acton  
Edward J. Stanley

Attested copies of the within warrant have been  
posted seven days before the time appointed for  
holding said meetings

William F. Stevens  
Acton Oct 23, 1914 Constable of Acton

# Record of the State Election in Acton November 3, 1914.

The following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes received for each person and the title of the office for which he was a candidate:

Governor.	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	total
Alfred H. Evans. P.	1	2	0	3
Samuel W. McCall R	80	78	118	276
Arthur E. Reimer S.L.	0	0	1	1
Samuel C. Roberts S.	0	0	0	0
Joseph Walker. Prog	10	15	11	36
David J. Walsh. D.	13	32	34	79
Blanks.	1	1	0	2
Lieutenant-Governor				
Edward C. Barry D.	12	27	27	66
Grafton D. Cushing R	82	80	118	280
Arthur Howard P.	1	1	0	2
James P. Magenis Prog	7	12	11	30
Sylvester J. McBride S.	0	0	0	0
Patrick Mulligan S.L.	0	1	0	1
Blanks.	3	7	8	18
Secretary				
Percy B. Ball S.	0	1	0	1
Frank J. Donahue D.	11	29	29	69
James W. Holden S.L.	0	0	0	0
Albert P. Langtry R	82	76	112	270
William G. Merrill P.	1	0	1	2
Russell A. Wood. Prog	9	18	12	39
Blanks.	2	4	10	16
Treasurer				
Charles L. Burrill R	83	76	112	271
Joseph M. Coldwell S.	0	0	0	0
Fredrick Fosdick Prog	7	17	12	36
Thomas A. Trissell P.	1	0	0	1
Karl Lindstrand S.L.	0	0	0	0
Fredrick W. Mansfield D.	11	28	27	66
Blanks.	3	7	13	23

Auditor	Prec 1.	Prec 2	Prec 3	total
Alonso B. Cook R	80	73	106	259
Daniel R. Donovan S	0	0	0	0
John Drysdale P	0	0	0	0
Frederick P. Grazier Prog	8	16	14	38
Fred. E. Colcher S.L.	1	0	0	1
Frank H. Pope. D.	14	33	29	76
Blanks.	2	6	15	23
Attorney General.				
Henry C. Adwilt R	84	75	108	267
Thomas J. Boynton D.	10	28	27	65
John Hilareth Prog	8	18	13	39
Howard B. Rand P.	0	0	0	0
John Weaver Sherman S.	0	1	0	1
William Taylor S.L.	0	0	0	0
Blanks.	3	6	16	25
Congressman				
J. Joseph O. Connor D	11	23	25	59
William H. Osgood Prog	7	14	10	31
John Jacob Rogers. R	86	86	119	291
Blanks.	1	5	10	16
Councillor				
John J. Hogan S.	11	26	26	63
Harrie C. Hunter Prog	12	31	17	60
Henry C. Mulligan R	78	62	99	239
Blanks.	4	9	22	35
Senator				
Henry P. Danner S.	9	23	18	50
Charles H. Kimball R	84	82	105	271
Allen Brooks Parker Prog	11	15	32	58
Blanks.	1	8	9	18
Representatives in General Court				
Edgar H. Hall R	86	66	125	277
Charles F. Johnson D	12	26	24	62
John L. Kennison Prog	7	28	13	48
Blanks.	0	8	2	10

County Commissioner				
George A. Goodwin	8	18	18	44
Levi S. Gould	82	77	103	262
Charles F. McCarthy	12	28	30	70
Blanks.	3	5	13	21

Shall an act passed by the general court in the year 1914 entitled "An act relative to vacations of laborers employed by cities and towns" be accepted?

Yes.	23	37	44	104
No.	54	59	54	167
Blanks.	28	32	66	126

Shall an act passed by the general court in the year 1914 to make Saturday a half holiday without loss of pay for laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth and otherwise to regulate their employment be accepted?

Yes.	26	46	53	125
No.	56	54	51	161
Blanks.	23	28	60	111

Shall the act passed by the general court in the year 1914, providing for the abolition of party enrollment at primary elections be accepted?

Yes.	43	67	62	172
No.	25	28	30	83
Blanks.	37	33	72	142

Total number of ballots cast. 105 128 164 397

Vote for Representative in the 11<sup>th</sup> Middlesex District

	November 3, 1914						
	Acton	Ayer	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Ward	Total
Edgar H. Hall of Acton	R 277	142	60	368	77	202	1126
Charles F. Johnson of Littleton	D 62	156	18	168	112	98	614
John L. Harrison of Ayer	R 48	140	6	108	33	40	375
Blanks.	10	23	3	55	5	27	123
Totals.	397	461	87	699	227	367	2235

A true record. Attest

Hornace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

## Warrant for a Special Meeting

Feb 4, 1915

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S.

To either of the constables of the town of Acton in the County of Middlesex, Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton, aforesaid who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to assemble in the Town Hall, in said town, on Thursday, the fourth day of February, 1915 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles, to wit;

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting,

Art. 2. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1915 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting copies attested by you in the following places: One in each of the post offices and railroad stations in said town of Acton, one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co. W. E. Whitcomb, W. E. Taylor & Co, Tuttle & Newton, Francis Root, George H. Reed, and one at the Nag's House, all in said Acton, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doing thereon to the town clerk or the selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting, Given under our hands at Acton this twenty-fifth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Nicholas Samsel.  
 Charles J. Holton } Selectmen of Acton  
 Edward J. Stanley }  
 Copies of the within warrant attested by me have  
 been posted as directed seven days before the time for  
 holding said meeting.

William F. Stevens  
 Acton Jan 27, 1915 Constable of Acton

Proceedings of the Special Meeting  
 held February 4, 1915.

Art. 1, William H. Kingsley, was chosen Moderator

Art. 2, Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval  
 of the Selectmen, he and is hereby authorized to borrow  
 money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue  
 of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1915,  
 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one  
 year, any debts or debt incurred under this vote to be  
 paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record, Attest  
 Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Meeting  
 March 29, 1915.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
 Middlesex S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in the  
 County aforesaid, Greeting;  
 In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn  
 the inhabitants of the Town of Acton aforesaid who are  
 qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs therein,  
 to meet in the Town Hall in said town on Monday  
 the twenty-ninth day of March, 1915, at nine (9) o'clock  
 in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following  
 articles, to wit:

- Art. 1, To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.  
 Art. 2, To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following  
 named Town Officers, to wit: One Town Clerk for one  
 year, one Selectman for three years, three overseers of the  
 poor for one year, One Town Treasurer for one year,  
 five members of the Finance Committee for one year,  
 One Collector of Taxes for one year, One Tree Warden  
 for one year, four Constables for one year, four Field  
 Drivers for one year, three Fence Viewers for one year,  
 One Assessor for three years, one Trustee of the Memorial  
 Library for three years, one member of the School Committee  
 for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years,  
 one member of the Board of Health for three years.  
 Also on the same ballot to vote Yes or No, on the  
 following question: viz: Shall licenses be granted for  
 the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?  
 The polls will be opened at 9.30 A. M. and may be  
 closed at 4. P. M.  
 Art. 3, To choose all necessary town officers not named in  
 Art. 2. and to fix the salaries of all town officers  
 Art. 4, To see if the town will accept the reports of the  
 Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee,  
 Library Trustees and other town officers

- Art. 5 To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting, that have not already reported.
- Art. 6 To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town
- Art. 7 To see what amount of money the Town will raise for the due observance of Memorial Day,
- Art. 8 To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the enforcement of the liquor laws or act anything thereon
- Art. 9 To see what action the Town will take in regard to the extermination of the elm leaf beetle
- Art. 10 To see what action the Town will take in reference to the extermination of the gypsy and brown tail moth
- Art. 11 To see what action the town will take to raise and appropriate \$150. for the George Washington Memorial Building, Washington D. C.
- Art. 12 To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of taxes
- Art. 13 To see if the Town will vote to oil the streets through the villages of the town or act anything thereon
- Art. 14 To see if the Town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price or act anything thereon
- Art. 15 To see if the town will vote to rescind the action providing for the election of selectmen by rotation for periods of three years and revert to the system of simultaneous elections for the period of one year as provided

- under certain acts of the Revised Laws.
- Art. 16 To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain four (4) electric lights from near the house of Isaac Whigg to land of the Commonwealth near the house of Patrick O'Sail appropriate money for the same or act anything thereon
- Art. 17 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to organize a Fire Department, appoint engineers and establish the pay of Foremen or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 18 To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Fire Department or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 19 To see if the town will vote to expend one fifth of the appropriation for roads to improve the Lowell Road from the State Road to the end of the town line, and the Carlisle Road from junction of Lowell Road to end of town line and to allow the removal and setting up of the stone crusher, if necessary, to be used in said work, or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 20 To see if the town will vote to choose or authorize the appointment of a special committee to investigate the various matters connected with the present street lighting system, the furnishing of electric current to private individuals within the town, the expediency of the town's voting to engage in the business of supplying electricity for light and power and any other matters relating to the foregoing or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 21 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the Town or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 22 To see if the town will vote to change the date of holding the annual town meeting or do or act anything thereon

Art 23. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading from the house of Mrs. Gertrude C. Daniels to the house of Lyman Tuttle or do or act anything thereon

Art 24. To see if the town will vote to choose or authorize the appointment of a special committee to prepare and draft by-laws, and report at the next annual town meeting or do or act anything thereon

Art 25. To see if the town will <sup>vote to</sup> instruct the Selectmen to dispose of the fire apparatus at South Acton or do or act anything thereon

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof in each of the post offices and railroad stations in said town and one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co.

W. E. Whitcomb, M. E. Taylor & Co. Tuttle and Newton, Finney & Hoyt, George H. Reed in said town, and one at the Stage House in said town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk or the Selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting

Given under our hands in Acton the fifteenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Nicholas Samset

Edward J. Stanley

Charles J. Holton

Selectmen of Acton

Attested copies of the within warrant have been posted as directed in said warrant seven days before the time appointed for holding said meeting

March 19, 1915

William F. Stevens

Constable of Acton

A true record. Attest

Horace F. Tuttle

Town Clerk

# Proceedings of the Annual Meeting March 29<sup>th</sup> 1915

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk at 7 o'clock A. M.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the articles in the warrant.

Herbert F. Robbins and C. D. Gram were sworn as tellers by the Town Clerk.

Art 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen Moderator.

Charles E. Smith and Isaac S. Ford were sworn as tellers

Mr Ford was appointed by the moderator.

Art 2. The polls were opened for the election of town officers at 7.30 o'clock A. M.

following is the vote for town officers

Town Clerk	Horace F. Tuttle	266 votes	sworn
Selectman, 3 years	Charles J. Holton	239 "	sworn
Assessor, 3 years	James B. Tuttle	232 "	sworn
Assessors of the Poor 1-year	William F. Kelly	206 votes	sworn
	Edward J. Stanley	233 "	sworn
	Fred S. Whitcomb	243 "	sworn
Treasurer, one year	Frank W. Hoyt	252 "	sworn
Collector of Taxes 1 year	Wm. F. Stevens	250 "	sworn
Constables, 1-year	John T. McKiff	229 "	sworn
	William F. Stevens	240 "	sworn
	Charles A. Taylor	226 "	sworn
	Oloof D. Wood	219 "	sworn
Field Drivers 1-year	Alfred H. Perkins	219 "	sworn
	Benjamin Ineson	212 "	sworn
	Alfred S. Carey	209 "	
	Charles A. Taylor	212 "	sworn
Fence Viewers	Charles J. Holton	226 "	sworn
	Nicholas Samset	218 "	
	Edward J. Stanley	224 "	sworn
School Committee 3 yrs	Herbert W. Lewis	229 "	sworn
Cemetery Commissioner 3 yrs	Julian Tuttle	243 "	sworn
Board of Health 3 yrs	Frank E. Tasker	214 "	sworn
Trustee of Memorial Library	Lucius H. Bessette	236 "	
Tree Warden	James O. Nail	222 "	sworn

Finance Committee James B. Tuttle 218 votes  
 Edgar H. Hall. 232 " sworn  
 Asaph Morriss 211 " sworn  
 Horace F. Tuttle 230 " s  
 Arthur M. Whitcomb 228 " sworn

On the question, Shall licenses be granted for the sale of  
 intoxicating liquors in this town.

Sixty-five (65) voted Yes.

Two hundred twenty 220. voted No.

10. Blanks.

Total number of ballots cast. 295

Art 3. Voted, To instruct the Selectmen to appoint surveyors  
 of lumber, wood, hoops and staves  
 Chose J. Warren Flagg Trustee of Gardner Fund  
 for three years.

Voted: That the salary of the tax collector be one per centum  
 of the amount collected, and that he perform all the  
 duties hitherto performed by said officer.

Voted, That the salary of the Treasurer be two hundred  
 dollars per annum.

Voted. That the salary of the Chairman of the Selectmen  
 be one hundred dollars per annum and the other  
 members fifty dollars, per annum.

Voted. That the salary of the Superintendent of Streets be  
 fixed by the Selectmen.

Voted; That the Board of Health be instructed to appoint  
 only one school physician and that the salary of  
 said physician be fixed at fifty dollars per annum.

Art 4 Voted, to accept the reports of the several town  
 officers

Art 5 Mr E. F. Richardson, for the committee appointed  
 at the annual meeting March 30, 1914 to consider  
 the matter of placing the name of Luther Blanchard

upon the Davis Monument, reported that the committee  
 unanimously recommended that the names of all the  
 members of Capt Isaac Davis Company be placed  
 upon the monument.

Voted, To accept the report.

Voted. That the same committee be instructed to carry out  
 the recommendations made in their report, and that  
 a sum not exceeding seventy five dollars, be  
 appropriated to defray the expense.

Mr James B Tuttle made a report for the Finance  
 Committee which report was accepted.

Art 6. Voted, To raise for repairing roads and  
 bridges including the oiling of roads. \$ 5000.00  
 To raise for Memorial Library.  
 for current expenses 450.00  
 for the purchase of books 200.00  
 To raise for schools. 15000.00  
 To raise for hydrant service 2700.00  
 To raise for street lighting 2700.00  
 To appropriate for street lighting  
 the unexpended balance of last year 821.37  
 Voted, To appropriate for Salaries of Town Officers 1800.00  
 Buildings and Grounds, including painting Town Hall 425.00  
 Police Department 150.00  
 Fire Department 400.00  
 Brush, Fires 200.00  
 Board of Health. 500.00  
 Town Farm 500.00  
 Outside Poor. 1000.00  
 Military Aid 50.00  
 Cemeteries 600.00  
 Printing 250.00  
 Snow-bills 200.00  
 Unclassified 500.00  
 Reserve Fund 1500.00  
 Special Committee on Street lighting 75.00  
 Insurance of town employees 100.00

Art. 6.  
continued

Voted, To reappropriate for the enforcement of the liquor laws, the unexpended balance in the treasury \$ 927.55  
Voted, To raise for Memorial Day 100.00  
Voted To raise for Mith work the sum required by the State law.

Art. 7 Voted, To raise one hundred dollars.

Art. 8 Voted, To reappropriate the unexpended balance of last year.

Art. 9 A motion to pass over the article did not prevail  
A motion to appropriate ten dollars did not prevail  
No further action taken

Art. 10 Voted, To raise the sum required by state law

Art. 11, Voted, To pass over the article

Art. 12 Voted, That all taxes shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1915 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1915 interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1915 until such taxes are paid.

Voted, That poll and personal taxes only be payable on demand.

Voted That the Collector shall issue summons for all poll and personal taxes only remaining unpaid Sept. 1, that the collector shall collect all taxes committed to him within the municipal year in which they are assessed

Art. 13 Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to oil the roads the same as last year.

Art. 14 Voted, That twenty five cents per hour be paid for fighting brush fires this vote to be effective until rescinded

Art. 15 Voted to pass over the article

Art. 16 Voted, To pass over the article

Art. 17 Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to organize a fire department and appoint engineers

Art. 18 Voted, To appropriate \$400.

Art. 19 Voted, That one fifth of the appropriation for roads and bridges be expended for the improvement of the Lowell road from the State Highway to the town line and the Carlisle road from the Lowell Road to the Acton-Carlisle town line

Art. 20 Voted, That a committee of five be appointed to investigate the matter mentioned in the article and report at the next annual meeting

Voted, That the Moderator be the chairman of this committee and that the remaining members of the committee be appointed by the Moderator

The following were appointed as the Committee  
Allen Brooks Parker, Chairman John S. White  
William Rawitser Nelson J. Cole, Waldo E. Whitcomb

Voted, To appropriate \$75.00 for the use of the committee

Art. 21 Voted, To appropriate \$100.

Art. 22 Voted, To change the date of the annual town meeting to the first Monday in March.

Art. 23 Voted To pass over the article

Art. 24 Voted, That the moderator appoint a committee of three to consider the matter of by-laws and report to the town such as they deem expedient

Act. 24  
(continued)

The Moderator appointed Horace F. Tuttle, Nicholas Saxxel and Arthur M. Whitcomb the Committee on by-laws.

Act 25 Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to dispose of the hand fire engine at South Acton.  
Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to use such amount of the proceeds from the sale of said engine as they deem expedient for new equipment at South Acton.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest.

Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

West Acton Aug 9 1915.

This is to certify that Charles A. Dudley this day appeared before me and took the oath of office as Inspector of Slaughter Houses in the town of Acton.

signed Arthur M. Whitcomb

Justice of the Peace.

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

Acton Sept 21, 1915

Mr E. C. Cheney appeared before me and took the oath as measurer of wood in the town of Acton.  
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

## Warrant for a Special Meeting

September 2<sup>d</sup> 1915

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in the County aforesaid: Greeting, :-

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acton, aforesaid, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs therein, to meet in the Town Hall, in said town on Thursday, the second (2<sup>d</sup>) day of September, 1915, at eight o'clock P. M. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit: -

- Act. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting,
- Act. 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money for the support of schools, the purchase of school books and supplies, the expense of operating the school plants, repairs and improvements upon school buildings and grounds, the transportation of scholars and for other expenses relating to the maintenance of the school department, or do or act anything thereon
- Act. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the tuition and transportation of scholars taking the agricultural course at the Concord High School. or do or act anything thereon
- Act. 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money for the support and maintenance of the Town Farm, or do or act anything thereon.
- Act. 5. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer to borrow money for any of the purposes named in this warrant.

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof in each of the post-offices and railroad stations in said town and one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co. W. E. Whitcomb M. E. Taylor & Co. Tuttle & Newton, Tinney & Hoyt, George W. Reed, and one at the Sagey House, all in said town, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Acton, this eighteenth day of August, A. D. 1915

Nicholas Samset. } Selectmen  
Edward J. Stanley } of Acton  
Charles J. Holton }

Attested copies of the within warrant have been posted as directed by the Selectmen seven days before the time appointed for said meeting.

William F. Stevens.

Acton Mass. Aug 25 1915 Constable of Acton

## Proceedings of the Special Meeting September 2<sup>nd</sup> 1915

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator

Art. 2. Voted, To appropriate the unexpended balance of last year for the support of schools.

Art. 3. Voted, To appropriate \$277.95 to pay the amount due the Town of Concord for tuition of pupils who have taken the agricultural course at the Concord High School.

Voted; That the School Committee be instructed to pay the transportation of pupils taking the agricultural course in the Concord High School and pupils attending the Lowell Industrial School.

Art. 4. Voted; That \$300.00 be transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for the maintenance of the Town Farm to be returned as soon as possible.

On motion of Luther Conant, it was voted, that the town assume the support and care of <sup>the</sup> Misses Susan and Martha Oliver, that they be cared for in the same manner that they now are, and that the sum of \$170.00 be appropriated to meet the expense for the remainder of the financial year.

Art. 5. Voted, To pass over the article

Voted, To adjourn sine die

A true record. Attest  
Horace F. Tuttle.  
Town Clerk.

# Warrant for the State Primary Election September 21<sup>st</sup> 1915.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex s.s.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in the County aforesaid. Greeting;

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acton aforesaid, who are qualified to vote in Primaries therein, to meet at their several Polling Places in their respective precincts, in said Acton, to wit:

In Precinct 1. Polling Place, Town Hall

In Precinct 2. Polling Place Universalist Church, South Acton

In Precinct 3. Polling Place Fire House, West Acton

On Tuesday the twenty first day of September, 1915, at 6.30 o'clock, P. M. then and there to bring in to the Precinct officers of their respective precincts, their votes on one ballot for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following offices: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, all for this Commonwealth, Councillor for the sixth Courthouse District, Senator for the seventh Senatorial District, one Representative in the General Court for the eleventh representative district, Sheriff for Middlesex County, County Commissioner for Middlesex County, Treasurer for Middlesex, and for the election of the following officers:

District member of the State Committee for each political party for the seventh Senatorial District, Five members of the Democratic Town Committee, Nine members of the Republican Town Committee, Fifteen members of the Progressive Town Committee, delegates to the conventions of political parties. The polls will be open from 6.30 to 8.30 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant: by posting attested copies thereof in each of the post offices and railroad stations in said town, and one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead

and Co., W. E. Whitcomb, M. E. Taylor & Co., Tuttle & Norton, Tenney & Hoyt, George C. Reed, and one at the Mayor's House all in said town, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting,

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, or a certified copy thereof, with you doings thereon, to each of the several precinct wardens, at the time and places of the meetings aforesaid and to the Town Clerk as soon as may be.

Given under our hands at Acton aforesaid this seventh day of September A. D. 1915.

Nicholas Sammel } Selectmen  
Edward J. Stanley }  
Charles J. Holton } Adm

Attested copies of the within warrant have been posted seven days before the time for holding said meeting

William F. Stevens Constable of Acton  
Acton Mass. Sept. 11, 1915

## Record of the State Primary Election September 21<sup>st</sup> 1915.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the Town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant: all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.  
Candidates of the Republican Party.

Governor.	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Grafton D. Cushing	11	15	17	43
Eugene H. Fox.	2	0	5	7
Samuel W. McCall.	23	12	37	72
Blanks.	4	1	0	5
Lieutenant Governor.				
Edwin Coolidge	25	18	37	80
Guy Andrews Ham	7	9	14	30

Republican (continued)	Prec 1.	Prec 2.	Prec 3.	Total.
Blanks.	8	1	8	17
Secretary				
Albert P. Langtry	30	27	50	107
Blanks.	10	1	9	20
Treasurer.				
Charles L. Burrill	28	27	51	106
Blanks.	12	1	8	21
Auditor				
Edward C. R. Bagley	9	7	16	32
George B. Cook	16	12	26	54
Samuel W. George	4	6	10	20
Blanks.	11	3	7	21
Attorney General.				
Henry C. Attwill	28	27	50	105
Blanks.	12	1	9	22
Councilor				
Henry C. Mulligan	21	25	46	92
Blanks.	19	3	13	35
Senator				
Charles A. Kimball	28	28	50	106
Blanks.	12	0	9	21
Representative in General Court				
Edgar H. Hall	30	25	53	108
Blanks.	10	3	6	19
County Commissioner				
John Lathrop Dyer	5	3	12	20
Harry A. Penniman	3	3	6	12
Chester B. Williams	25	19	31	75
Blanks.	7	3	10	20
County Treasurer				
Joseph C. Haydon	24	20	39	83
Harold David Wilson	5	7	10	22
Blanks.	11	1	10	22
Sheriff				
John R. Fairbairn	22	15	15	52
Adelbert B. Masser	15	13	37	65
Blanks.	3	0	7	10

	Prec 1.	Prec 2.	Prec 3.	Total
State Committee				
Louis Pfeiffer	28	26	43	97
Blanks.	12	2	16	30
Delegates to State Convention				
Edgar H. Hall	25	25	39	89
James A. Grimes	22	25	35	82
Blanks.				
Town Committee				
James A. Grimes	21	26	39	86
Charles J. Holton	22	25	40	87
Frank R. Knowlton	22	25	39	86
Anson C. Pifer	22	26	39	87
Lyman C. Taylor	22	26	38	86
Frank W. Crit	22	26	39	87
Moses E. Taylor	22	26	38	86
David C. Harris	20	26	39	85
Horace F. Tuttle	23	26	40	89
Blanks.				
Candidates of the Progressive Party.				
Governor				
Nelson B. Clark	1	0	0	1
Blanks.			1	1
Lieutenant Governor.				
Blanks.	1	0	1	2
Secretary				
Blanks.	1	0	1	2
Treasurer				
Blanks.	1	0	1	2
Auditor				
Blanks.	1	0	1	2
Attorney General				
Blanks.	1	0	1	2
Senator				
A. B. Parker	0	0	1	1
Blanks.	1	0	0	1

Progressive Party (Continued)				
Representative	Prec 1.	Prec 2.	Prec 3.	Total
Blanks	1	0	1	2
County Commissioner				
George A. Goodwin	0	0	0	0
Blanks	1	0	1	2
County Treasurer				
David A. Kafe	0	0	0	0
Blanks	1	0	1	2
Sheriff				
Blanks	1	0	1	2
State Committee				
Blanks	1	0	1	2
Delegates to Convention				
Blanks	1	0	1	2
Town Committee				
C. A. Ducke	0	0	1	1
B. E. Hall	0	0	1	1
J. S. White	0	0	1	1
A. B. Parker	0	0	1	1
W. F. Stevens	0	0	1	1
F. W. Green	0	0	1	1
A. J. Cole	0	0	1	1
Blanks	1	0	0	1
Candidates of the Democratic Party.				
For Governor				
Frederick S. Dietrick	0	0	0	0
David I. Walsh	2	2	7	11
Blanks	0	0	0	0
Lieut Governor				
Edward P. Barry	2	1	7	10
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Secretary				
Edwin A. Grosvenor	2	1	7	10
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Treasurer				
Henry L. Bowles	2	1	6	9
Blanks	0	1	1	2

Democratic (Continued)				
Auditor	Prec 1.	Prec 2.	Prec 3.	Total
Jacob C. Morse	2	1	7	10
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Attorney General				
Joseph Joyce Donahue	1	1	4	6
Harold Williams Jr.	0	0	2	2
Blanks	1	1	1	3
Councillor 6th District				
Joseph H. McHally	2	1	7	10
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Senator				
Frederic W. Burke	2	1	7	10
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Representative				
David F. Hensley	0	0	2	2
Blanks	2	2	5	9
County Commissioner				
Michael M. O'Connor	2	1	6	9
Blanks	0	1	1	2
County Treasurer				
David A. Kafe	2	1	6	9
Blanks	0	1	1	2
Sheriff				
John J. Donovan	1	1	5	7
George A. Terrie	1	1	2	4
Blanks				
State Committee				
Blanks	2	2	7	11
Delegate to State Convention				
David R. Hensley	1	1	5	7
Blanks	1	1	2	4
Town Committee				
David R. Hensley	1	1	6	8
Edwin J. Swift	1	1	6	8
William B. Hensley	1	1	6	8
Thomas Hensley	0	1	6	7
Francis J. Crowley	1	1	7	9

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle, Town Clerk.

# Warrant for the State Election

November 2<sup>d</sup> 1915

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in the County aforesaid, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acton who are qualified to vote in elections therein, to meet at the several Polling Places, in their respective precincts, in said Acton, to wit:

In Precinct 1. Polling Place, Town Hall,  
In Precinct 2. Polling Place, Vestry of Universalist Church,  
In Precinct 3. Polling Place, Fire House, on Tuesday November 2<sup>d</sup>, 1915 (it being the first Tuesday next after the first Monday of said month) at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Precinct Officer of their respective precincts their votes on one ballot for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, and Attorney General, all for this Commonwealth, Councillor for the sixth Councillor District, Senator for the seventh Senatorial District, One Representative for the 11<sup>th</sup> Representative District, County Commissioner for Middlesex County, Treasurer for Middlesex County, Sheriff for Middlesex County. Also to give their votes by ballot on the following questions

- (1) On the acceptance of Chapter 129, Resolves of 1915 entitled Resolves to provide for submitting to the people the article of amendment of the constitution empowering the general court to authorize the taking of land, to relieve congestion of population and to provide homes for citizens"
- (2) On the acceptance of Chapter 130, Resolves of 1915, entitled Resolves to provide for submitting to the people the article of amendment of the constitution striking the word male from the qualification of voters
- (3) On the acceptance of Chapter 140, Resolves of 1915, entitled Resolves to provide for submitting to the people the article of amendment of the constitution relative to the authority of

general court to impose taxes"

All the above officers and questions are to be voted for on one ballot. The polls will be open at six o'clock in the forenoon, and will be closed at four o'clock in the afternoon at each, and all of the several precincts

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof in each of the post offices and railroad stations in said town and one in each of the following stores: C. H. Mead & Co., W. E. Whitcomb, M. E. Taylor & Co., Tuttle & Newton, Tenney & Hoyt, George H. Rad, all in said town, and one at the Mayor's House, in said Town, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, or a certified copy thereof, with your doings thereon, to each of the several precinct wardens, at the time and places of meetings, aforesaid and to the Town Clerk as soon as may be.

Given under our hands at Acton, this eighteenth day of October, in the year one thousand, nine hundred and fifteen

Nicholas Samson, } Selectmen  
Edward J. Stanley, }  
Charles J. Holton, } Acton

Attested copies of within Warrant have been posted as directed by the Selectmen seven days before the time for holding said meetings.

Acton Oct. 21, 1915. W<sup>m</sup> F. Stevens Constable.

# Record of the State Election.

November 2<sup>d</sup> 1915.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the Town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

For Governor.	Pres. 1.	Pres. 2.	Pres. 3.	Total
Nelson B. Clark Prop.	2	5	5	12
Walter S. Hutchins S.	0	1	0	1
Samuel W. McCall R.	95	111	125	331
Peter O. Rourke S.L.	0	0	1	1
William Sheav P.	2	7	2	11
David J. Walsh D.	17	22	31	70
Blanks.	0	9	2	11
Lieutenant Governor.				
Edward P. Barry D.	16	27	26	69
Calvin Coolidge R.	97	116	132	345
Alfred H. Evans P.	1	4	3	8
James Hayes S.L.	0	1	0	1
Charles R. Lawrence Prop.	1	3	0	4
Samuel P. Levenberg S.	0	0	0	0
Blanks.	1	4	5	10
Secretary.				
Edwin A. Grosvenor D.	16	24	24	64
Albert P. Langtry R.	93	120	130	343
Thomas J. Maher S.L.	1	2	0	3
Marion E. Shroule S.	0	0	1	1
Wilard O. Wylie P.	1	4	1	6
Blanks.	5	5	10	20
Treasurer.				
Henry L. Bowles D.	14	24	23	61
Charles L. Burrill R.	95	121	132	348
Charles E. Fenner S.	0	1	0	1

## Treasurer (continued)

William E. Marks P.	1	5	0	6
Jeremiah P. McCall S.L.	0	0	0	0
Blanks.	6	4	11	21
Auditor.				
Alonso B. Cook R.	92	118	122	332
James W. Holden S.L.	0	2	0	2
Henry C. Gram S.	0	0	0	0
Jacob C. Morse D.	14	24	22	60
William G. Rogers P.	1	6	1	8
Blanks.	9	5	21	35
Attorney General.				
Henry C. Atwell R.	95	117	126	338
Frank Aughter P.	2	5	3	10
Joseph Joyce Donahue D.	13	20	21	54
John McCarthy S.	0	2	0	2
William Taylor S.L.	0	0	0	0
Blanks.	6	11	16	33
Councillor Sixth District.				
Joseph H. McCall S.	14	25	24	63
Henry C. Mulligan R.	91	112	121	324
Blanks.	11	18	21	50
Senator.				
Frederic W. Burke D.	14	24	27	65
Charles A. Kimball R.	95	125	133	353
Blanks.	7	6	6	19
Representative in General Court.				
Edgar H. Hall R.	98	125	138	361
Blanks.	18	30	26	74
Charles A. Dwyer	0	0	1	1
Charles E. Wood	0	0	1	1
County Commissioner.				
Alfred L. Cutting R.	88	115	122	325
John Lathrop Dyer Ann P.	4	1	3	8
George A. Goodwin Prop.	1	6	2	9
Michael M. O'Connor D.	10	19	18	47
William H. Walsh D. R. P.	3	7	6	16
Blanks.	10	7	15	32

County Treasurer		Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Le Will Clinton Clapp A.P.		1	5	2	8
Joseph O. Hayden R.		91	117	118	326
David A. Keefe D.		14	23	18	55
Blanks.		10	10	28	48
<b>Sheriff</b>					
John J. Donovan D.		16	19	19	54
John R. Fairbairn R.		90	125	124	339
Blanks.		10	11	23	44

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution empowering the general court to authorize the taking of land to relieve congestion of population and to provide homes for citizens be approved & ratified?

Yes.	36	66	60	162
No.	42	36	40	118
Blanks.	38	53	66	157

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution enabling women to vote be approved and ratified?

Yes.	27	38	55	120
No.	72	107	95	274
Blanks.	17	10	16	43

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution, relative to the taxation of incomes and the granting of reasonable exemptions be approved and ratified?

Yes.	57	79	72	208
No.	24	35	26	85
Blanks.	35	41	68	144

Total Number of ballots cast . 116 155 166 437

Vote for Representative in the 11<sup>th</sup> Middlesex District

November 2, 1915

	Acton	Andover	Carleton	Chelmsford	Littletown	Walden	Totals
Edgar H. Hall of Acton R.	361	275	62	334	163	280	1675
Scattering	2	6	0	0	1	0	9
Blanks.	74	227	33	265	59	122	780
	437	508	95	799	228	402	2464
Guy B. Remick Town Clerk of Andover							
Dexter C. Whittemore Town Clerk of Carleton							
Charles F. Wallis Town Clerk of Littletown							
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk of Acton							
Edward J. Robbins Town Clerk of Walden							
Charles L. Holdreth Town Clerk of Walden							

A true record. Attest, Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

# Warrant for the Annual Meeting March 6, 1916.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in the County aforesaid. Greeting:  
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acton aforesaid who are qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs therein, to meet in the town hall in said town on Monday, the sixth day of March 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

- Art 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting
- Art 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following named town officers, to wit. One town clerk for one year one selectmen for three years; one selectmen for one year to fill vacancy, three members of the poor for one year, one town treasurer for one year, five members of the finance committee for one year; one collector of taxes for one year, one tree warden for one year four constables for one year; four field drivers for one year; three fence viewers for one year; one assessor for three years, one assessor for one year to fill unexpired term, one trustee of the Memorial Library for three years one member of the school committee for three years one cemetery commissioner for three years one member of the Board of Health for three years. Also on the same ballot to vote Yes or No on the following question, viz:- Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?
- The polls will be open at 9.30 A.M. and may be closed at 4. P.M.

- Art 3. To choose all necessary town officers not named in Art. 2 and to fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art 4 To see if the town will accept the reports of the various town officers
- Art 5 To hear and act upon the reports of any committee chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported
- Art 6 To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.
- Art. 7. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the due observance of Memorial Day.
- Art 8. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the enforcement of the liquor laws or act anything thereon
- Art. 9 To see what action the town will take in regard to the extermination of the clover leaf beetle
- Art 10 To see what action the town will take in regard to the extermination of the gypsy and brown tail moth
- Art 11. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes
- Art 12 To see if the town will vote to oil the streets in the villages of the town or act anything thereon
- Art 13 To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix the price or act anything thereon

- Art 14 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town or do or act anything thereon
- Art 15 To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire departments or do or act anything thereon.
- Art 16 To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money, not exceeding five hundred dollars towards the water main that is to connect Woodlawn Cemetery with the Town water system or do or act anything thereon
- Art 17. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading from the State Road, at a point a few rods east of the house of A. W. Davis to the house of G. T. Sisson (known as the Gould farm) or act anything thereon.
- Art 18 To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to have the hands and figures on three faces of the town clock gold leafed.
- Art 19 To see what action the town will take in reference to securing the removal of the partially burned building situated on the hotel property in Acton Center.
- Art 20 To see if the town will vote to spend fifteen hundred dollars of the money raised and appropriated for highways for the repair of the so called Lowell Road, from the Great Road to the place where it was repaired last year provided the State and County will each appropriate like amounts for said road or take any action thereon.

Act 21. To see if the town will vote to close or discontinue the two pieces of road leading from the so-called Daniel Tuttle road, one by Dr. Allen's house and the other crossing over by the town hall.

Act 22 To see if the town will vote to have the old stone watering trough that stands at the old town pump moved to some other part of the town where it can be used for the public's benefit, and appropriate a sum of money for doing the same.

Act 23. To see if the town will vote to tint the walls and ceilings of the town hall, including the ante rooms and paint the woodwork, patch the plastering and such other work to make the job complete and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Act 24 To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for payment of premium on Treasurers and Collectors bonds, or act anything therein.

Act 25. To see if the town will vote to sell the town farm or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof in each of the post offices and railroad stations in said town and one in each of the stores of C. C. Mead & Co, W. E. Whitcomb, M. E. Taylor & Co, Tuttle & Peckton Finney & Hoyt, George H. Reed, in said town, and one at the Nagoy House in said town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk, or the selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty first day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

Nicholas Samsel. (Selectmen  
Edward J. Stanley }  
Charles J. Holton. } Acton

Attested copies of the within warrant have been posted as directed by the Selectmen seven days before the time appointed for holding said meeting.  
William F. Stevens  
Acton Feb 26 1916 Constable of Acton

March 6, 1916 William H. Shingley took the oath as Forest Warden before me. Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

South Acton March 8, 1916  
This is to certify that Frank W. Hoyt this day personally appeared before me and took the oath of office as Treasurer of the Town of Acton for the ensuing year.  
J. H. W. Wetherbee Justice of the Peace  
A true record attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

South Acton March 14, 1916  
This is to certify that Mr. E. C. Page this day personally appeared before me and took the oath of office as a member of the Board of Health for the ensuing official three years.  
J. H. W. Wetherbee Justice of the Peace  
A true record attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

West Acton March 21, 1916  
This is to certify that Fred S. Whitcomb appeared before me and took the oath of office as Cattle Inspector in the town of Acton for the ensuing year.  
Arthur M. Whitcomb Justice of the Peace  
A true record attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

# Proceedings of the Annual Meeting March 6, 1916

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk and the warrant read, excepting the articles. The meeting voted to dispense with the reading of the articles.

Herbert F. Robbins and Charles E. Smith were sworn as tellers by the Clerk.

Art. 1, Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator. C. D. Cram and Isaac S. Ford were sworn as tellers by the moderator.

Art. 2, The polls were opened for the election of officers at 9.30 A. M.

Following is the vote for town officers

Town Clerk	Horace F. Tuttle	sworn	157 votes
Selectman three years	Wm H Kingsley	sworn	148 "
Selectman one year	Warren H Jones	sworn	143 "
Assessor three years	William B. Franklin	sworn	144 "
Assessor one year	Arthur M. Whitcomb	sworn	154 "
Overseers of the Poor	William H Kingsley	sworn	148 "
	Warren H Jones	sworn	145 "
	Charles J. Holten	sworn	142 "
Treasurer	Frank W. Hoyt	sworn	154 "
Collector of Taxes	Arthur M. Whitcomb	sworn	151 "
Constables	John T. McNiff	sworn	140 "
	Charles A. Taylor	sworn	141 "
	Olive D. Wood	sworn	142 "

Field Drivers	John T. McNiff	124 "
	Eugene J. Hollowell	122 "
	Leon A. Gale	119 "
	Charles A. Taylor	121 "
Town Viewers	Charles J. Holten	sworn 133 "
	Warren H Jones	sworn 135 "
	William H Kingsley	sworn 133 "

School Committee Bertram E. Hall. 142 votes sworn

Compting Commissioner Horace F. Tuttle 150 votes sworn

Board of Health Edward C. Page. 138 votes sworn

Trustee of Memorial Library Horace F. Tuttle. 145 votes

Tre Warden James O. Neil 134 votes

Finance Committee James B. Tuttle 123 votes

Edgar H. Hall. 131 "

Asaph Merriam 119 "

Horace F. Tuttle 126 "

Arthur M. Whitcomb 129 "

On the question, Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

Twenty Seven (27) voted yes.

One hundred and thirty eight (138) voted No.

Art. 3, Voted to instruct the Selectmen to appoint Surveyors of lumber and Measurers of wood and bark.

Chose Horace F. Tuttle Trustee of Goodnow Fund, for three years.

See page 67 last item

Voted, That the salary of the Collector of Taxes, be one per cent of the amount collected.

Voted, That the salary of the Treasurer be two hundred dollars.

Voted, That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars and the other members, fifty dollars each.

Voted, That the salary of the Superintendent of Streets be fixed by the Selectmen.

Art 4. Voted, to accept the reports of the several town officers.

Art 5. The Committee appointed to consider the matter of By-Laws, reported that in their opinion it was inexpedient to adopt any special by-laws, and suggested that the standing votes of the town and the provisions of the State law which have been adopted by this town be printed in the next <sup>town</sup> annual report.

Voted; To accept the report and that its suggestions be carried out.

The Committee appointed at the last annual town meeting to make an investigation of all matters pertaining to the supply of electric current in town reported in writing through its chairman Allen Brooks Parker. The report included a written report submitted by Haven and Crosby of Boston consulting engineers. The Committee recommended that the town take no action at the present time looking toward the entrance of the town into the business of supplying electric current for light and power.

Voted; To accept the report of the Committee and to give them a vote of thanks for their efficient services.

Art 6.

Voted, to raise for Memorial Day	\$ 150.
" " " " Repairing roads and bridges	4000.
" " " " Special work on Lowell Road.	1000.
" " " " Memorial Library current expenses.	450.
" " " " " " " " for books.	200.
" " " " Schools	18000.
" " " " Hydrant service	2700.
" " " " Street lighting	3300.
" " " " Mole work	1405. 76
" " " " Salaries of town officers	1800.

Voted. To appropriate for oiling roads such sum as the selectmen may determine.

" To appropriate for buildings and grounds.	200.
" " " " repairing interior of town hall.	300.
" " " " gilding faces to town clock.	35.
" " " " removing watering trough.	25.
" " " " laying water main to Woodlawn Cemetery.	500.
" " " " Treasurers bond.	50.
" " " " Collectors bond.	100.
" " " " Care of trees including spraying.	—
" " " " for elm leaf beetle.	400.
" " " " insurance of town employees.	200.
" " " " Police department.	150.
" " " " Fire department.	400.
" " " " Fire department for supplies.	400.
" " " " Bush fires.	200.
" " " " Board of health.	500.
" " " " Town House.	500.
" " " " outside poor.	1500.
" " " " Cemeteries.	700.
" " " " printing.	250.
" " " " unclassified.	500.
" " " " reserve fund.	1500.

Art 7. Voted, to raise \$150.00 for the due observance of Memorial Day.

Art 8. Voted; to reappropriate the unexpended balance of last year for the enforcement of the liquor laws.

Art 9. Voted, to appropriate four hundred dollars the same to cover all work done by the tree warden.

Art 10. Voted, to raise the amount required by state law or one thousand five dollars and seventy six cents.

Art 11. Voted, That all taxes shall be payable not later than October 15, 1916 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov 1, 1916 interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from October 15, 1916 until such taxes are paid

Voted; That poll and personal taxes only be payable on demand

Voted, That the collector shall issue summons for all poll and personal taxes only remaining unpaid September 1<sup>st</sup> and that the collector shall collect all taxes committed to him within the municipal year in which they are assessed

Art 12. Voted that the matter be left in the hands of the selectmen

Art 13 Voted, to pass over the article

Art 14 Voted, to appropriate two hundred dollars to insure all employees of the town

Art 15 Voted to appropriate four hundred dollars for fire departments and four hundred dollars for supplies provided that any balance after the purchase of supplies may be used to pay salaries

Art 16 Voted to appropriate five hundred dollars towards the water main to connect Woodlawn Cemetery with the town water system

Voted, that Edgar H. Hall, William F. Stevens and Horace F. Tuttle be a committee to act for the town in all matters relating to the laying of said water main

Art 17 Voted to discontinue the road leading from the State Road at a point a few rods east of the house of A. W. Davis, to the house of G. T. Tisson (known as the Gould farm)

Art 18 Voted; That the matter be referred to the Selectmen with power to act. and to appropriate thirty five dollars to defray the expense

Art 19. Voted, unanimously that the selectmen be requested to secure the removal, if possible, of the partially burned building situated on the hotel property in the center of the town.

Art 20. Voted, to pass over the article

Art 21, Voted, to discontinue the two pieces of road leading from the so called Daniel Tuttle road, one by Dr. Allen's house and the other crossing over by the town hall.

Art 22. Voted, that the selectmen be instructed to remove the stone watering trough that stands near the town pump in the center of the town, to some place where it can be used. Voted; that twenty five dollars be appropriated to defray the expense.

Art 23, Voted, to paint, decorate and repair the interior of the town hall as specified in the article and that three hundred dollars be appropriated to defray the expense.

Art 24. Voted, that the town reimburse the present tax collector W. F. Stevens, for any premium he may be obliged to pay for his bond, by reason of uncollected taxes. Voted, to appropriate fifty dollars for treasurers bond, and one hundred dollars for tax collectors bond.

Art 25. A motion to sell the town farm did not prevail

Art 3. Voted, that the Board of Health be instructed to appoint one school physician at a salary of fifty dollars per year

Voted to adjourn.

A true record Attest  
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

West Acton March 21, 1916

This is to certify that Bertram D. Hall personally appeared before me and took the oath as Measurer of wood in the town of Acton

Arthur M. Whitcomb Justice of the Peace

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

West Acton April 5 1916

This is to certify that James A. Berry appeared before me and took the oath as Special Police Officer in the town of Acton.

Allen B. Parker Justice of the Peace.

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

West Acton April 6 1916

This is to certify that Albert H. Perkins appeared before me and took the oath as Superintendent of Streets in the town of Acton

Arthur M. Whitcomb Justice of the Peace

Acton April 18, 1916

Mr E. S. Fokes and Mr John Pederson appeared before me and took the oath as Special Police Officer

Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

West Acton May 15, 1916

This is to certify that Lowell H. Cram appeared before me and took the oath as Sealer of Weights and Measures in the town of Acton

Arthur M. Whitcomb Justice of the Peace

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

South Acton July 5, 1916

This is to certify that Leon Gale has taken the oath of office as Fiscal Officer for the town of Acton for the current year.

Frank W. Hoyt Justice of the Peace

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

West Acton Oct. 14, 1916

This is to certify that John M. Kempton appeared before me and took the oath of office as Traffic Officer

Arthur M. Whitcomb Justice of the Peace

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in the County aforesaid, greeting;

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acton aforesaid who are qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs therein to meet in the town hall in said town on Thursday the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and sixteen at 7.30 P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles; to wit;

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting
  - Art. 2. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1916 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year
  - Art. 3. To see what action the town will take towards re-contracting for street lamps.
  - Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to contract with the water district for the rental of hydrants on the Littleton road or do or act anything thereon.
  - Art. 5. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty (250) dollars to widen and repair the road leading from the house of Miss Alice Davis on the "Great Road" so called to the house of Mrs Gertrude C. Daniels or pass any vote or votes thereon that the town may think proper.
- And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof in each of the post offices and Railroad Stations in said town and one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co, W. E. Whitcomb, M. E. Taylor & Co Tuttle and Newton, Finney and Hoyt and George H. Reed

in said town and one at the Nagoy House in said town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or the selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting. Given under our hands at Acton this twentieth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen

Charles J. Holton

Warren H. Jones

William H. Fingely

Selectmen of Acton

Attested copies of the within warrant have been posted as directed by the selectmen seven days before the time appointed for holding said meeting

John T. McNeill

Acton March 22, 1916

Constable of Acton

## Proceedings of the Special Town Meeting held March 30, 1916.

- Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator
- Art. 2. Voted that the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning Jan 1, 1916 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 3. Voted that the Selectmen be empowered to contract with the American Woollen Company for street lighting for a term of five years on such terms as in their discretion they may deem expedient
- Art. 4. Voted: That the town appropriate twenty five dollars per hydrant for not more than five hydrants on said Littleton road in accordance with the terms of the contracting existing between the Town and the West and South Water Supply District
- Art. 5. Voted: That the sum of two hundred and fifty (250) be appropriated to widen and repair the road described in the article and that this appropriation be expended under the direction and supervision of Mrs. Gertrude C. Daniels

Meeting voted to adjourn

A true record. Attest Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk.

# Warrant for a Special Meeting

July 10, 1916

To either of the Constables of the town of Acton in the County aforesaid: Greeting:—

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton, aforesaid who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said town on Monday the tenth day of July, 1916 at 7, 45 o'clock in the evening then and there to act upon the following articles; to wit

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting
- Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to borrow the sum of One thousand dollars to be expended in repairing the road extending from the Great Road so called at a point near the Webster Robbins place to the Carlisle line as recommended by the County Commissioners or act anything therein

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof in each of the post offices and railroad stations in said town and one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co, W. E. Whitcomb Tuttle and Newton, Fanning and Coit George H. Reed in said town and one at the Mayor House in said town seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk or selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting Given under our hands this twenty ninth day of June One thousand nine hundred and sixteen

Charles J. Holtan

Warren H. Jones

William H. Kingsley

Selectmen of Acton

Attested copies of the within warrant have been posted as directed by the selectmen seven days before the time appointed for holding said meeting

J. T. McKeff  
Acton July 1, 1916 Constable of Acton

## Proceedings of the Meeting held July 10, 1916

- Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator
- Art. 2. Voted; Unanimously that the Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the selectmen to borrow a sum of money not exceeding one thousand dollars for defraying the expense of making repairs on the County Road leading from the State Highway near the residence of W. C. Robbins by the residence of Benjamin Pope to the Carlisle town line said sum to be payable in the year 1917.

Meeting voted to adjourn.

A true record attest Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk

*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

*Middlesex S.S.*

To either of the constables of the town of Acton  
greeting;— In the name of the Commonwealth  
of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify  
and warn the inhabitants of said town who are  
qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in their several  
polling places, in their respective precincts in said  
Acton to wit; In Precinct One, Polling Place Town Hall  
In Precinct Two, Polling Place Universalist Church, South  
Acton, In Precinct Three, Polling Fire House West Acton  
on Tuesday the twenty-fifth day of April, 1916 at 6.30  
o'clock P.M. for the following purpose, To bring in  
their votes to the Primary Officers for the election of  
Candidates of political parties for the following offices  
Four delegates at large to the National Convention of  
the Republican Party  
Four alternate delegates at large to the Convention of  
the Republican Party  
Four delegates at large to the National Convention of  
the Democratic Party  
Four alternate delegates at large to the National Convention  
of the Democratic Party  
Eight delegates at large to the National Convention  
of the Prohibition Party  
Eight alternate delegates at large to the National Convention  
of the Prohibition Party  
Two District delegates to the National Convention of the  
Republican Party, Fifth Congressional District  
Two alternate District delegates to the National Convention  
of the Republican Party, Fifth Congressional District  
Two District Delegates to the National Convention  
of the Democratic Party, 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District  
Two Alternate District Delegates to the National  
Convention of the Democratic Party, 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District  
One District Delegate to the National Convention of the  
Prohibition Party, 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

One Alternate District Delegate to the National Convention  
of the Prohibition Party, 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for on  
one ballot.

The polls will be open from 6.30 to 8.30 P.M. and you  
are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested  
copies thereof seven days at least before the time of  
said meetings as directed by vote of the town  
Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with  
your doings thereon at the time and place of said meetings  
Given under our hands this tenth day of April One thousand  
nine hundred and sixteen

Charles J. Holtor

Warren H. Jones

William H. Kingsley

Selectmen of Acton

# Record of the Presidential Primary Election April 25, 1916.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Astor held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law directed, and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

## Candidates of the Prohibition Party No ballots were cast.

## Candidates of the Democratic Party.

Delegates at Large	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
David J. Walsh	3	0	5	8
Joseph H. Neil	3	0	5	8
Humphrey Sullivan	3	0	5	8
Charles B. Stucker	3	0	5	8

### Blanks

### Alternate Delegates at Large

H. Oscar Rocheleau	3	0	5	8
Edmund D. Godman	3	0	5	8
Vincent Bryna	3	0	5	8
Thomas F. Higgins	3	0	5	8

### Blanks

### District Delegates

Robert J. Crowley	2	0	5	7
J. Joseph Connor	2	0	4	6
Blanks	1		1	2

### Alternate District Delegates

John T. Donohue	2	0	5	7
Joseph P. Donohue	2	0	5	7
Blanks	1			1

## Candidates of the Republican Party

Delegates at Large	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Grafton D. Cushing	11	6	19	36
Charles Samner Bird	11	6	19	36
Augustus P. Gardner	10	6	18	34
Robert M. Washburn	10	5	18	33

Samuel W. McCall	28	16	29	73
Henry Cabot Lodge	26	15	27	68
John W. Weeks	25	15	27	67
Wentworth M. Crane	24	15	27	66

### Blanks

### Alternate Delegates at Large

Alexander M. Gregor	6	5	14	25
Lombard Williams	6	5	15	26
Daniel Cosgrove	7	5	14	26
William M. Armstrong	6	5	15	26

Butler Ames	24	15	22	61
Louis A. Frithingham	24	15	22	61
Eben S. Keith	24	15	21	60
Frank W. Stearns	23	15	20	58

### Blanks

### District Delegates Fifth District

Fred O. Lewis	7	3	16	26
Frederick P. Glasgow	8	4	15	27
Herbert E. Fletcher	23	17	29	69
John A. Cole	20	16	27	63

### Blanks

### Alternate District Delegates Fifth District

Gardner W. Pearson	8	5	15	28
Edwin C. Peckham	7	5	15	27

Frank E. Dunbar	22	15	22	59
Wilford D. Gray	21	15	22	58
Blanks				

A true record  
Attest Henry F. Little Town Clerk

Warrant for the State Primary  
September 26, 1916.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S. To either of the Constables of the  
Town of Acton, Greeting:-

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby  
required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town  
who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in their  
several polling places in their respective precincts in said  
Acton, to wit:-

In Precinct 1. Polling Place, Town Hall.

In Precinct 2, Polling Place Unionist Church South Acton

In Precinct 3, Polling Place Fire House, West Acton

Tuesday the twenty-sixth day of September, 1916

at 6.30 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes.

to bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the  
nominations of candidates of Political parties for the  
following officers:-

Governor for this Commonwealth, Lieut Governor

for this Commonwealth, Secretary of the Commonwealth

for this Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General

for this Commonwealth, Auditor of the Commonwealth

for this Commonwealth, Attorney General for this Common-

wealth, Senator in Congress for this Commonwealth,

Representative in Congress for the 5th Congressional District

Councillor for 6th Councillor District Senator for the

7th Senatorial District One Representative in the

General Court for the 11th Middlesex Representative District

County Commissioner for Middlesex County

Two Associate Commissioners for Middlesex County

District Attorney for Northern District Clerk of Courts for

Middlesex County Register of Deeds for Middlesex County

Register of Probate and Insolvency for Middlesex County

(to fill vacancy) District member of State Committee

for each political party, 7th Senatorial District

Five Members of the Democratic Town Committee

Ten members of the Republican Town Committee

members of the Prohibition Town Committee

and delegates to the State Conventions of all <sup>political</sup> parties

all the above candidates and officers are to be voted  
for upon one ballot

The polls will be open from 6.30 to 8.30 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by  
posting attested copies thereof seven days at least  
before the time of said meetings directed by vote of  
the town

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant  
with you doings thereon at the time and place of said  
meetings.

Given under our hands at Acton this twelfth day  
of September A.D. 1916

Charles J. Holton

William H. Kingsley

Warren H. Jones.

Attested copies of this warrant have been posted  
as directed by vote of the town seven days before the  
time appointed for said meetings

John T. McVitt

Constable of Acton.

# Record of the State Primary Election Sept. 26, 1916

All legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

## Candidates of the Republican Party

Governor	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Samuel W. McCall	43	35	48	126
Blanks	3	4	3	10
Lieut Governor				
Calvin Corlidge	42	34	46	122
Blanks	4	5	5	14
Secretary				
Albert P. Langtry	41	35	46	122
Blanks	5	4	5	14
Treasurer				
Charles L. Burrill	40	34	46	120
Blanks	6	5	5	16
Auditor				
Joseph B. Brown	24	15	20	59
Alonzo B. Cook	14	19	24	57
Blanks	8	5	7	20
Attorney General				
Henry C. Atwell	39	34	42	115
Blanks	7	5	9	21
Senator in Congress				
Henry Cabot Lodge	40	33	43	116
Blanks	6	6	8	20
Congressman				
John Jacob Rogers	44	38	46	128
Blanks	2	1	5	8
Councillor 6th District				
James H. Harris	17	19	21	57
Henry C. Mulligan	20	14	19	53
Blanks	9	6	11	26

Senator	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Burton H. Crosby	3	0	4	7
Charles A. Kimball	29	29	32	90
Immanuel Pfeiffer Jr.	14	6	13	33
Blanks	0	4	2	6
Representative in General Court				
Walter Perham	35	31	36	102
D. Frank Small	9	3	3	15
Blanks	2	5	12	19
County Commissioner				
Smith J. Adams	8	9	14	31
Erson B. Barlow	20	16	19	55
Charles H. McIntire	13	5	7	25
Blanks	5	9	11	25
Associate Commissioners				
Fredric P. Barnes	32	11	34	77
H. Harding Hale	21	5	17	43
Blanks				
District Attorney				
Nelson P. Brown	4	4	12	20
Philip M. Clark	3	0	3	6
John J. Higgins	6	2	6	14
Nathan A. Tufts	31	31	28	90
Blanks	2	2	2	6
Clerk of Court				
William C. Dillingham	37	34	44	115
Blanks	9	5	7	21
Register of Deeds				
Thomas Leighton Jr.	34	33	41	108
Blanks	12	6	10	28
Register of Probate and Insolvency				
William G. Andrew	8	10	9	27
Roland E. Brown	4	5	3	12
Frederick M. Esty	23	20	24	67
Blanks	11	4	15	30
State Committee				
Lowis Pfeiffer	27	29	33	89
Blanks	19	10	18	47

Delegates to State Convention	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Edgar H. Hall.	34	35	39	
Ralph L. Hastings	34	35	37	
Leather Conant Jr.	35	35	38	
Blanks.		4		
Turn. Committee				
James A. Grimes	28	31	36	
Charles J. Holtz.	30	30	35	
Charles H. Mead	31	31	35	
Frank W. Hoyt	30	32	35	
Ralph L. Hastings	30	31	36	
Benjamin J. Jackson	30	31	35	
Leather Conant Jr.	31	32	36	
Horau F. Tuttle	31	32	37	
David C. Harris	29	30	34	
Frank R. Hinnelton.	30	30	37	

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### Candidates of the Democratic Party

Governor				
Charles H. Cole	3	2	6	11
Frederick W. Mansfield	0	2	2	4
Blanks.	0	0	0	0
Lieut Governor				
Thomas P. Riley	3	3	7	13
Blanks.	0	1	1	2
Secretary				
Leon R. Egges.	3	2	6	11
Blanks.	0	2	2	4
Treasurer				
Henry H. Teague	3	2	8	13
Blanks.	0	2	0	2
Auditor				
John B. St. Galliere	3	2	6	11
Blanks.	0	2	2	4
Attorney General				
Joseph Joyce Donahue	3	3	8	14

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Blanks.	0	1	0	1
Senator in Congress				
John F. Fitzgerald	3	3	7	13
Blanks.	0	1	1	2
Congressman				
Roger Sherman Hoar.	3	3	8	14
Blanks.	0	1	0	1
Councillor Sixth District				
Blanks.	3	4	8	15
Senator				
Frederic W. Burke.	1	2	6	9
Blanks.	2	2	2	6
Representative in General Court				

Blanks.  
County Commissioner

Blanks. 3 4 8 15  
Associate Commissioners

Blanks.	6	8	16	30
District Attorney				
William R. Scharston	1	3	4	8
Blanks.	2	1	4	7
Clerk of Courts.				
Blanks	3	4	8	15
Register of Deeds.				

Blanks. 3 4 8 15  
Register of Probate and Insolvency  
Timothy E. Quinn 1 2 3 6  
Blanks. 2 2 5 7

State Committee	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Richard L. Fitzgerald	3	1	4	8
Blank	0	3	4	7
Delegate to State Convention				
David Kinsey	0	1	5	6
Blanks	3	3	3	9
Town Committee				
D. R. Kinsey	0	0	4	4
E. T. Swift	0	0	4	4
F. J. Crowley	0	0	4	4
J. W. Coughlin	0	0	4	4
G. P. Littlefield	0	0	4	4
Blanks	3	4	4	11

In the Candidates of the Prohibition Party  
no ballots were cast.

## Warrant for the State Election

November 7<sup>th</sup> 1916

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex s.s. To either of the constables of the town of Acton in the County aforesaid: Greeting:—

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed and required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton who are qualified to vote in elections therein to meet in their several polling places in their respective precincts in said Acton, to wit:—

Precinct 1, Polling Place, Town Hall,

Precinct 2, Polling Place, Universalist Church, South Acton

Precinct 3, Polling Place, Fire House, in West Acton

on Tuesday the seventh day of November, 1916 it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said month at fifteen minutes past six in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Precinct Officers of their respective precincts their votes on one ballot for Presidential Electors also Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, Senator in Congress, all for this Commonwealth.

Representative in Congress, 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District  
Councillor, Sixth Councillor District, Senator 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District, Representative in General Court, 11<sup>th</sup> Representative District County Commissioner Middlesex County, Two Associate Commissioners for Middlesex County, District Attorney for Northern District, Clerk of Courts for Middlesex County, Register of Deeds, Middlesex County, Register of Probate and Insolvency Middlesex County (to fill vacancy) Also to give their votes by ballot on the following questions:

1<sup>st</sup>, Acceptance of Chapter 98 General Acts of 1916 entitled "An Act to ascertain and carry out the will of the people relative to the calling and holding of a Constitutional Convention."

2, Acceptance of Chapter 104 General Acts of 1916 entitled, "An Act to make the first day of January known as New Years Day a legal holiday."

3<sup>d</sup> Acceptance of Chapter 179 General Acts of 1916 entitled An Act to prevent the voters of one political party from voting in the primaries of another political party.  
The polls will be opened at fifteen minutes after six in the forenoon and closed at four o'clock in the afternoon at each and all of the several precincts and you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the places as directed by the vote of the town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon (or a certified copy thereof) to each of the several precinct wardens at the time and place of meetings aforesaid and to the Town Clerk as soon as may be.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty fourth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen

signed Charles J. Holton.  
William H. Kingsley.  
Warren H. Jones.

This is to certify that I have posted attested copies of this warrant as directed by vote of the town and delivered a copy to each of the Precinct wardens.  
signed John T. McKeff  
Constable of Acton

## Records of the State Election

November 7, 1916

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant all the ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

### Electors of President and Vice President

Benson and Kirkpatrick Socialist

By District	At large, Louis F. Weiss	Howard A. Gibbs		
	1 Reuben V. Clark	8 John S. Young		
	2 Samuel M. Jones	9 William Sanborn		
	3 Victor Annela	10 John J. McEtrick		
	4 James Cronin	11 Moses J. Konikow		
	5 William A. Chase	12 Louis Marcus		
	6 Ralph E. Gardner	13 Eugene Hough		
	7 Archibald H. Adamson	14 Joel Thibadeau		
		15 Louis Schievers		
		16 Robert Metcalf		
	Precinct 1.	Precinct 2.	Precinct 3.	Total
	none	one	none	1

Canley and Landreth, Prohibition

By District	At large, William Shaw	8 Stuart B. Remick		
	" " John B. Lewis	9 William G. Merrill		
	1 Oliver L. Bartlett	10 Franklin S. Sprague		
	2 William G. Rogers	11 Obed. Baker		
	3 Albert C. Brown	12 Selon W. Bingham		
	4 William W. Nash	13 Moses D. Munroe		
	5 Charles W. Leach	14 Albert J. Orem		
	6 John E. Peterson	15 John M. Fisher		
	7 Wilbur D. Moon	16 James J. Bartholomew		
		Precinct 1.	Precinct 2	Precinct 3.
	none	none	one	1

Hughes and Fairbanks	Republican			
At Large George T. I. Meyer	8 Arthur Black			
" " Edward A. Thurston	9 Charles Bruce			
1 Nelson B. Miller	10 Joseph B. Maccate			
2 Gordon W. Gordon	11 Grafton L. Cushing			
3 George R. Wallace	12 George F. Lawley			
4 Webster Thayer	13 George S. Smith			
5 Herbert E. Fletcher	14 Horace A. Hunt			
6 Isaac Patch	15 Frederick E. Goff			
7 Charles Cabot Johnson	16 Phineas C. Headley Jr.			
Precinct 1. ninety eight 98	Precinct 2 eighty seven 87	Precinct 3 one hundred thirty one 131	Total	316

### Reimer and Harrison Socialist Labor.

At Large Oscar Kinsalas	8 Frederick Roberts			
" " Ingvar Paulsen	9 Andrew Mortenson			
1 Henry Stoffke	10 Paul E. Anderson			
2 Daniel S. Law	11 Henry C. Hesse			
3 John A. Anderson	12 Harry Keller			
4 William Taylor	13 Dyer Enger			
5 John M. Kinnon	14 John F. Fredrickson			
6 Jeremiah P. M. Kelly	15 Albert Barnes			
7 Ezekiel Hamburger	16 Jeremiah O. Fikelly			
Precinct 1. none	Precinct 2 none	Precinct 3 none	Total	none

### Wilson and Marshall Democratic.

At Large David J. Walsh	8 Eugene Wambaugh			
" " Sherman L. Whipple	9 Marcus Beebe			
1 Harry A. Garfield	10 William Taylor			
2 Thomas F. Harrington	11 Josiah Quincy			
3 Marcus C. Coolidge	12 John MacDonnell			
4 H. Oscar Rocheleau	13 Edward E. Griesberg			
5 Humphrey C. Sullivan	14 Charles M. Hickey			
6 Charles F. Ropes	15 John F. Doherty			
7 Simon Viger	16 Thomas C. Thacher			
Precinct 1. twenty five 25	Precinct 2 fifty one 51	Precinct 3 twenty nine 29	Total	105
Blanks.	1	3	6	10
Total vote cast 124.	142	167	433	

Governor	Precinct 1.	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
James Hayes S.L.	one	none	none	1
Chister R. Lawrence P.	one	none	four	5
Samuel W. McCall R.	one hundred	ninety two	one hundred	320
Frederick W. Mansfield D.	eighteen	forty two	twenty four	84
Dana A. White S.	none	one	one	2
Blanks	four	seven	ten	21
Lieut Governor				
Calvin Coolidge R.	one hundred	one hundred	one hundred	327
Alfred H. Evans P.	none	none	none	0
Sylvester J. McBride S.	none	one	one	2
Thomas J. Maher S.L.	none	one	none	1
Thomas P. Riley D.	fifteen	thirty two	twenty three	70
Blanks	eight	ten	fifteen	33

### Secretary

Thomas F. Brennan S.L.	none	none	none	0
Leon R. Egges D.	fifteen	twenty six	eighteen	59
Louis Adams Grout S.	none	one	one	2
Albert P. Langtry R.	ninety six	one hundred one	one hundred	324
Blanks	thirteen	thirteen	twenty two	48

### Treasurer

Charles L. Burrill R.	ninety nine	one hundred one	one hundred	322
Frederick E. Oelcher S.L.	none	none	none	0
Elam H. Sheldon S.	none	one	one	2
Henry A. Teague D.	fifteen	twenty seven	twenty two	64
Blanks	ten	thirteen	twenty two	45

### Auditor

Joseph Bearak S.	none	one	one	2
Frank Bohmbach S.L.	none	none	none	0
Alonso B. Cook R.	ninety four	one hundred one	one hundred	317
John B. N. Sullmore D.	fifteen	twenty seven	seventeen	60
Blanks	fourteen	thirteen	twenty seven	54
Attorney General				
Henry C. Atwell R.	ninety five	one hundred one	one hundred	321
Joseph Joyce Donahue	fifteen	twenty six	eighteen	59
Joseph Jukra S.L.	none	none	none	0
John Weaver Sherman S.	one	two	one	4
Blanks	thirteen	eleven	twenty four	49

Senator in Congress	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
John F. Fitzgerald	D seventeen	forty nine	twenty seven	93
Henry Cabot Lodge	R ninety nine	eighty four	twenty	303
William M. McDonald	S none	one	one	2
Blanks	eight	eight	nineteen	35
Congressman First District				
Roger Sherman Hoar	D twenty	forty two	twenty eight	90
John Jacob Rogers	R ninety seven	ninety six	thirty one	324
Blanks	seven	four	eight	19
Councillor Sixth District				
James G. Harris	R ninety six	one hundred one	one hundred	318
Blanks	twenty eight	thirty seven	fifty	115
Senator Seventh Middlesex District				
Fredrick W. Burke	D fifteen	thirty	seventeen	62
Charles A. Kimball	R one	one hundred one	one hundred	338
Blanks	eight	seven	eighteen	33
Representative in General Court				
Walter Perham	R one	one hundred one	one hundred	339
Blanks	twenty three	thirty	forty	93
County Commissioner				
Ernest B. Barlow	R ninety six	one hundred one	one hundred	320
Blanks	twenty eight	thirty four	fifty one	113
Associate Commissioners				
Frederic P. Barnes	R eighty one	one hundred	one hundred	288
Hy. Harding Cole	R seventy one	eighty three	seventy five	229
Blanks				349
District Attorney Northern Dist				
William R. Scharton	D fourteen	twenty four	eighteen	56
Nathan A. Tufts	R one hundred	one hundred one	one hundred	334
Blanks	ten	nine	twenty four	43
Clerk of Courts				
William C. Dillingham	ninety	one hundred one	one hundred	311
Blanks	thirty four	thirty six	fifty two	122
Register of Deeds				
Thomas Leighton Jr	ninety four	one hundred one	one hundred	311
Blanks	thirty	thirty six	fifty six	122
Register of Probate and Insolvency				
Frederick M. Esty	ninety one	ninety seven	eleven	299

Timothy E. Quinn	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total				
D twelve	twenty	fourteen		46				
Blanks	twenty one	twenty five	forty two	88				
Shall there be a convention to								
revise, alter or amend the constitution								
of the commonwealth? Yes								
	thirty five	forty three	forty two	120				
No								
	thirty two	thirty nine	thirty eight	109				
Blanks								
	forty seven	sixty	eighty seven	204				
Shall an act passed by the								
General Court in the year 1916								
to make the first day of January								
known as New Year Day, a legal holiday								
be approved and become law?								
Yes								
	forty	sixty nine	sixty three	172				
No								
	thirty eight	forty three	fifty four	135				
Blanks								
	forty six	thirty	fifty	126				
Shall an act passed by the general court in the								
year 1916, entitled "An Act to prevent the voters								
of one political party from voting in the primaries								
of another political party be approved and become law								
Yes								
	forty six	fifty eight	sixty five	169				
No								
	twenty one	thirty	thirty two	83				
Blanks								
	forty seven	fifty four	seventy	181				
Total number of ballots cast								
	124	142	167	433				
Vote for Representative in the Eleventh Middlesex District								
	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Tyngboro	Westford	Total
Walter Perham of Chelmsford R.	337	194	79	743	162	134	293	1944
J. T. McKeff		1						1
Louis Pfeiffer			1					1
Charles D. Smith								1
Blanks	93	89	34	245	64	35	143	703
	433	284	113	988	227	169	436	2650
Clerk of Acton Charles F. Tuttle Clerk of Littleton								
Albott R. Webber " Bedford Charles P. Littlehale " Tyngboro								
Dexter C. Whittier " Carlisle Charles L. Eldridge " Westford								
Edward J. Robbins " Chelmsford								

Warrant for the Annual Meeting March 5, 1917

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex ss

To wit, <sup>of the</sup> Constables of the town of Acton in the County of said, Greeting:—

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed and required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton who are qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs therein to meet in the town hall in said town on Monday the fifth day of March 1917 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely;

Art. 1 To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting

Art. 2 To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following named town officers, to wit:—

One Town Clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, three overseers of the poor for one year, one town treasurer for one year, five members of the finance committee for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, one tree warden for one year, four constables for one year, four field drivers for one year, three fence viewers for one year, one assessor for three years, one assessor for two years to fill unexpired term, one trustee of the Memorial Library for three years, one member of the school committee for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one member of the board of health for three years, also on the same ballot to vote Yes or No on the following question, Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The polls will be opened at 9.30 A.M. and may be closed at 4 P.M.

Art. 3 To choose all necessary town officers not named in Art. 2. and fix salaries of all town officers

Art. 4 To see if the town will accept the reports of the various town officers

Art. 5 To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported

Art. 6 To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town

Art. 7 To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the due observance of Memorial Day

Art. 8 To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the enforcement of the liquor law or act anything thereon

Art. 9 To see what action the town will take in regard to the extermination of the elm leaf beetle

Art. 10 To see what action the town will take in regard to the extermination of the gypsy and brown tail moths

Art. 11 To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes

Art. 12 To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix the price or act anything thereon

Art. 13 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employes of the town or do or act anything thereon

Art. 14 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department or do or act anything thereon

Art. 15 To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for payment of premium on Treasurer and Collector bonds or act anything thereon

- Art. 16. To see if the town will install one or more street lights in Acton Center on the Littleton road between the school house and residence of John F. Schneider or act anything thereon
- Art. 17 To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to improve the grounds around the town hall or act anything thereon
- Art. 18 To see if the town will vote to authorize the fire engineers to make certain interior alterations in the Fire House at West Acton or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 19 To see if the town will vote to authorize the purchase and equipment of automobile trucks for the use of the fire and forest fire departments and will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 20 To see if the town will vote to re appropriate the twenty five dollars appropriated at the last annual meeting for the removal of the coatering trough at the center or do or act anything thereon
- Art. 21 To see if the town will vote to re appropriate the unexpended balance of money appropriated at a special town meeting for the repair of the Pope road, so called, or act anything thereon
- Art. 22 To see what action the town will take to raise and appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars for the George Washington Memorial Building Washington D.C.
- Art. 23 To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to petition the American Woolen Co. to extend the street lighting system from "Merriams corner" to the Christoffersen place in South Acton or act anything thereon.

Art. 24 To see what action the town will take on the on the acceptance of Sec. 1, Chap. 153, of the Acts of 1916 viz: In towns having less than ten thousand inhabitants the annual license fee for carrying on the business of slaughtering neat cattle sheep and swine shall be such sum not exceeding one hundred dollars as the selectmen shall fix

Art. 25 To see if the town will appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for the purpose of removing snow and sanding that part of the streets used as sidewalks one hundred dollars to be at the disposal of each precinct and to be expended at the discretion of the selectmen or act anything thereon

Art. 26 To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year January first, 1917 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof in each of the Post. Office and Railroad Stations in said town and one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co, W. E. Whitcomb, M. E. Taylor & Co, H. W. Lewis, Timney and Hoyt, George H. Reed, and one at the Mayor House all in said town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or the selectmen at or before the time appointed for said meeting

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty first day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Charles J. Holton Selectmen  
William H. Kingale, of Acton  
Warren H. Jones.

This is to certify that I have posted an attested copy of this warrant at each of the places as directed by the selectmen John J. McWhiffen

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting  
March 5, 1917.

The meeting was called to order by the town clerk  
Voted; unanimously to dispense with the reading of  
the warrant.

The following persons appointed to act as tellers were  
sworn by the town clerk, Herbert F. Robbins, Charles  
E. Smith, C. D. Cram, and Isaac Ford.

Art. 1. James B. Tuttle was chosen moderator by ballot.

Voted; to adjourn the meeting to Monday March, 12,  
1917 at 9 o'clock A. M. at the Town hall.

A true record attest

Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

Proceedings of the adjourned Annual Meeting  
March 12, 1917.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator  
James B. Tuttle.

Mr. James B. Tuttle requested to be excused from  
serving as moderator and it was so voted.

Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.

The moderator appointed Theron F. Newton to act  
as teller in the absence of C. D. Cram. he was sworn by  
the moderator.

On motion of Mr. Luther Conant it was voted; That  
the town adopt resolutions relating to the present crisis.  
It was voted; That the moderator, the town clerk and  
James M. Green, be a committee to prepare such  
resolutions and report to the meeting.

Voted; unanimously the following resolutions:  
Resolved, that we, the citizens of Acton, Mass., in  
the annual town meeting assembled, assure the  
President of the United States, that his efforts to  
preserve peace and protect the lives and property of  
our citizens upon the high seas, and to uphold the  
rights of the nation to conduct its commerce unmolested  
shall and do have our support, and we assure the  
President that the spirit prevailing among us to day is  
the same as was manifested by our "Minute Men of '75"  
and our Patriots of '61.

Voted; that an engrossed copy, bearing the seal  
of the town be sent to the President by the moderator  
and town clerk.

Art. 2 The polls were open for the election of town officers  
and for voting on the license question at 9.30 A. M.

Following is the vote for town officers

Town Clerk one year	Horace F. Tuttle	sworn	118 votes
Selectman three years	Warren H. Jones	sworn	111 "
Assessor three years	Arthur M. Whitcomb	sworn	115 "
Assessor <sup>two years</sup> to fill vacancy	Ralph W. Piper	sworn	106 "

Overseers of the Poor, one year	Charles J. Holton	107 votes
	Warren H. Jones	104 "
	William H. Kingsley	106 "
Treasurer one year,	Frank W. Hoyt	118 "
Collector of Taxes, one year	Arthur M. Whitcomb	116 "
Constables one year,	John T. McStiff	110 "
	Charles A. Taylor	112 "
	Oliver D. Wood	110 "
	James N. Berry	21 "
Field Drivers, one year,	John T. McStiff	102 "
	Charles A. Taylor	99 "
	Oliver D. Wood	97 "
	James N. Berry	7 "
Fence Viewers one year,	Charles J. Holton	100 "
	Warren H. Jones	95 "
	William H. Kingsley	97 "
School Committee three years,	Edwin A. Phalen	101 "
Cemetery Commissioner three years,	Fred W. Green	105 "
Board of Health, three years,	Edwin A. Phalen <small>sum. Mar 17, 1917 before the Town Clerk</small>	99 "
Trustee Memorial Library three years,	J. Sidney White	109 "
Tree Warden one year,	James C. Neil	107 "
Finance Committee one year,	Edgar H. Hall	107 "
	Asaph Merriam	91 "
	Horace F. Tuttle	104 "
	James B. Tuttle	97 "
	Arthur M. Whitcomb	100 "

On the question shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

Twenty-two, 22, voted yes.

One hundred and six voted No

Art. 3 Voted, to instruct the selectmen to appoint surveyors of lumber and measurers of wood and bark.

Chas. Luther Conant, trustee of Goodnow Fund for 3 years

Voted; That the salary of the collector of taxes be one per cent. of the amount collected

Voted; That the salary of the treasurer be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted. That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars and the other members fifty dollars each per annum.

Voted, That the salary of the superintendent of streets be fixed by the selectmen.

Art. 4, Voted, to accept the reports of the several town officers

Voted, to approve the recommendations of the Overseers of the Poor, that such wood and lumber on the town farm as the overseers of the poor deem expedient be sold and the proceeds invested, the income thereof to be used for the support of the town home.

Art. 5 No reports were presented.

Art. 6 Voted to raise for Memorial Day	100.
Repairing roads and bridges	\$ 4000.
Special work on Lowell road	1000.
Memorial library current expenses	450
Memorial library for books	200.
Schools	22000.
Hydrant service	2750
Street lighting	3300
moth work	1007.59
Salaries of town officers	1800

Voted, To appropriate for oiling roads.	700.
Buildings and grounds	200.
Police department	200
board of health	500
town home	500
outside poor	1500
cemeteries	600
unclassified	300
printing	300
reserve fund	1000
military aid or soldiers relief	200

Voted, to re appropriate for improvement of road to  
Belleme Farm. 250.

Art. 7. Voted to raise and appropriate one hundred dollars (\$100.00)

Art. 8. Voted; to re appropriate the unexpended balance of  
last year

Art. 9. Voted; to raise and appropriate the sum of four  
hundred (400.) dollars. the same to be expended under the  
direction of the selectmen

Art. 10. Voted; to raise the amount required by the state law  
or one thousand seven and 59/100 (1007.59) dollars

Art. 11. Voted; That all taxes shall be payable not later than  
Oct. 15, 1917 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after  
Nov. 1, 1917 interest shall be charged at the rate of six  
per cent. per annum from Oct. 15, 1917 until such taxes are  
paid

Voted; That poll and personal taxes only be payable  
on demand.

Voted; That the collector shall issue summons for all  
poll and personal taxes only remaining unpaid Sept. 1 and  
that the collector shall collect all taxes committed to  
him within the municipal year in which they are assessed

Art. 12. Voted; To appropriate two hundred (200.00) dollars

Art. 13. Voted, To appropriate one hundred and fifty (150) dollars

Art. 14. Voted, To appropriate four hundred (400.) dollars

Art. 15. Voted, To raise and appropriate one hundred and fifty  
(150.) dollars.

Art. 16. Voted; That the selectmen be authorized to install  
one additional light on said street provided it can  
be done without increasing the expense for street lighting

Art. 17. Voted; That the sum of one hundred and fifty (150)  
dollars be appropriated, the same to be expended under  
the direction of a committee to be appointed by the  
moderator,  
The moderator appointed as that committee  
Edwin A. Phalen, Luther Conant, Jr. and Horace F. Tuttle

Art. 18. Voted: To appropriate fifty (50) dollars the same to  
be expended under the direction of the fire engineers

Art. 19. A motion that the Board of Fire Engineers of the  
town be and hereby are authorized to purchase and  
equip for the use of the fire and forest fire departments  
two automobile trucks and that the sum of two thousand  
(2000) or such part thereof as may be necessary,  
therefor be and hereby is appropriated for the same"  
did not prevail

Mr. Franklin E. Griffir, in behalf of Mrs. Gertrude  
E. Daniels offered to present to the town her Chalmers  
touring car. to be equipped as a fire truck, to  
store the same in her garage and to furnish a driver  
without expense to the town, provided said car  
is kept in the garage on her farm in North Acton.

Voted; unanimously to accept the offer of Mrs. Daniels  
with thanks and to appropriate the sum of three hundred  
and fifty (350.) for equipping the car as a fire truck.

Voted. That this sum be expended under the direction  
of the fire engineers and Mr. Griffir

Voted, To authorize the fire engineers to expend a  
sum equal to the sum already appropriated, to  
equip a motor fire truck in each of the precincts  
of South and West Acton, provided the car or  
truck is donated

- Art. 20 Voted; To reappropriate the sum of twenty five (25) dollars to remove the watering trough. the money to be expended under the direction of the committee appointed to improve the grounds around the town hall
- Art. 21 Voted; To reappropriate the unexpended balance to repair the Pope road.
- Art. 22 Voted; To pass over the article
- Art. 23 Voted; To lay the article on the table
- Art. 24 Voted; To accept the provisions of Section 1 Chap. 153 of the Acts of 1916 relating to the business of slaughtering cattle.  
Voted; That the license fee be fixed at \$100. dollars
- Art. 25 A motion "That the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated, one hundred dollars to be at the disposal of each precinct and to be expended under the direction of the selectmen" did not prevail
- Art. 26 Voted; That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1917 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Mr. Oliver D. Wood was granted the privilege of speaking on the matter of military drill and training  
Voted; that a committee of five be chosen to consider the matter of military preparedness.  
Voted that the moderator be chairman of this committee and that the moderator appoint the remaining four members  
Voted. That the town offer the use of any town building to the committee and to any organization working for military preparedness.

Meeting voted to adjourn  
A true record, attest  
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

State Primary Elections April 3, 1917  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S. To either of the constables of  
the town of Acton, greeting,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
you are hereby required to notify and warn the  
inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote  
in Primaries to meet in their several polling places  
in their respective precincts in said town to wit

Precinct 1. Polling Place, Town Hall,

Precinct 2. Polling Place, Universalist Church, So Acton

Precinct 3. Polling Place Fire House, West Acton

on Tuesday the third day of April 1917 at 6.30 o'clock  
P. M. for the following purposes. To bring in their

votes to the Primary Officers for the nomination of  
candidates for delegates to the Constitutional  
Convention 32. delegates at large, all the above

candidates are to be voted for on one ballot, Each  
voter may vote only for sixteen candidates at large.  
The polls will be open from 6.30 P. M. to 8.30 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by  
posting attested copies thereof seven days at least  
before the time of said meeting as directed by  
a vote of the town

Hereof fail not and make due return of this  
warrant with your doings thereon at the time  
and place of said meeting

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of  
March A.D. 1917 Charles J. Halton

Warren H. Jones.

William H. Kingsley

Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have posted attested  
copies of this warrant as directed by vote of the  
town

John T. McNeill  
Constable of Acton

Record of the State Primary April 3, 1917

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of  
Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant,  
all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and  
declaration thereof made as by law directed and the  
following is a true record of the names of all  
persons voted for, the number of votes for each person  
and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Delegates to Constitutional Convention

Delegates at large

Charles Francis Adams.

George W. Anderson.

William G. Andrews.

Albert P. Apsey.

Charles J. Barton

John L. Bates

Addison P. Beardsley

William H. Brooks.

Walter A. Buie

Harry S. Chase

Charles F. Choate Jr.

Charles W. Clifford.

George W. Coleman

Louis A. Coolidge

John W. Cummings

Edwin U. Curtis

Samuel R. Cutler

Arthur W. DeGrosh.

Daniel E. Denny

Daniel R. Donovan.

George H. Doty

Hugh P. Drysdale

Frank E. Dunbar.

Samuel J. Elder

Wilmer R. Evans Jr.

Eugene M. Foss.

Harry A. Garfield

Warrant for the State Election,  
November 6, 1917.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex s.s. To either of the Constables  
of the town of Acton; Greeting: -

In the name of the Commonwealth you are  
hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants  
of the said town who are qualified to vote in  
State elections, to meet in the several polling  
places, to wit: Precinct 1, Town Hall;  
Precinct 2, Universalist Church, South Acton;  
Precinct 3, Fire House, West Acton; on Tuesday,  
November 6, 1917 at 6:15 o'clock A.M. Then and  
there to bring in their votes on one ballot for  
Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor  
of the Commonwealth, Secretary of the Commonwealth,  
Treasurer and Receiver General of the Commonwealth,  
Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General of the  
Commonwealth, Councillor for the Sixth Councillor  
District, Senator for the Seventh Senatorial District,  
Representative in the General Court for the Eleventh  
Representative District, One County Commissioner for  
Middlesex County and on the same ballot to  
bring in their votes on the acceptance of the  
following Articles of Amendment submitted by the  
Constitutional Convention:

Art. of Amendment No. 1. The General Court shall have  
power to provide by law for voting by qualified  
voters of the Commonwealth who, at the time of  
an election, are absent from the city or town of  
which they are inhabitants in the choice of any  
officer to be elected or upon any questions sub-  
mitted at such election.

Art. of Amendment No. 2.

Article XVIII. Section 1. No law shall be passed  
prohibiting the free exercise of religion.

Section 2. All moneys raised by taxation in the towns and cities for the support of public schools, and all moneys which may be appropriated by the commonwealth for the support of common schools shall be applied to, and expended in, no other schools than those which are conducted according to law, under the order and superintendence of the authorities of the town or city in which the money is expended; and no grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized by the commonwealth or any political division thereof for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any school or institution of learning, whether under public control or otherwise, wherein any denominational doctrine is inculcated, or any other school, or any college, infirmary, hospital, institution, or educational, charitable or religious undertaking which is not publicly owned and under the exclusive control, order and superintendence of public officers or public agents authorized by the commonwealth or federal authority or both, except that appropriations may be made for the maintenance and support of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts and for free public libraries in any city or town, and to carry out legal obligations, if any, already entered into; and no such grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any church, religious denomination or society.

Section 3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the commonwealth, or any political division thereof, from paying to private controlled hospitals, infirmaries, or institutions for the deaf, dumb or blind not more than the ordinary and reasonable compensation for

care or support actually rendered or furnished by such hospitals, infirmaries or institutions to such persons as may be in whole or in part unable to support or care for themselves.

Section 4. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive any inmate of a publicly controlled reformatory, penal or charitable institution of the opportunity of religious exercises therein of his own faith; but no inmate of such institution shall be compelled to attend religious services or receive religious instruction against his will, or, if a minor, without the consent of his parent or guardian.

Section 5. This amendment shall not take effect until October first next succeeding its ratification and adoption by the people.

Art. of Amendment No. 3. The maintenance and distribution at reasonable rates, during time of war, public exigency, emergency or distress, of a sufficient supply of food and other common necessities of life and the providing of shelter, are public functions, and the commonwealth and the cities and towns therein may take and may provide the same for their inhabitants in such manner as the general court shall determine.

The polls will be opened at 6:15 o'clock in the morning and closed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at each and all the precincts and you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting copies, attested by you, in the following places:

One in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co., W. E. Whitcomb, Geo. H. Reed, M. E. Paylor & Co., Hubert W. Lewis, Finney and Whit. One in each of the R. R. Stations and Post Offices and at the Nagog House at least seven days before the time for holding said meetings.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the selectmen or the Town Clerk on or before the time for holding said meetings.

Given under our hands in Acton this Twenty-third day of October A. D. 1917.

(signed) Charles J. Holtom  
W<sup>m</sup> H. Kingsley  
Warren H. Jones

This is to certify that I have posted attested copies of this warrant as directed by vote of the town.

(signed) John McNiff  
Comptable of Acton.

# Record of the State Election, November 6, 1917.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton, held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Governor				
James Hayes, S. L.	one	two	none	3
Chester R. Lawrence, P.	none	none	one	1
Frederick W. Mansfield, D.	eight	fifteen	fourteen	37
Samuel W. McCall, R.	eighty-three	ninety	one hundred seven	280
John McCarty, S.	none	three	none	3
Blanks	none	one	none	1
Lieutenant Governor				
Calvin Coolidge, R.	eighty-one	ninety-one	one hundred five	277
Mathew Hale, D. P. Prog.	six	thirteen	thirteen	32
Sylvester J. McBride, S.	one	two	none	3
Fred E. Oelcher, S. L.	one	one	none	2
Blanks	three	four	four	11
Secretary				
Hubert S. Brown, P.	two	three	one	6
Albert P. Langtry, R.	seventy-four	eighty-four	ninety-eight	256
Ingoar Paulsen, S. L.	none	one	none	1
Arthur B. Reed, D.	nine	fifteen	twelve	36
Marion E. Sproule, S.	none	two	none	2
Blanks	seven	six	eleven	24
Treasurer				
Charles L. Burrill, R.	seventy-seven	eighty-six	one hundred two	265
Solon Lovett, P.	one	two	none	3
Joseph Q. Murphy, S.	none	two	none	2
Thompson O. Sullivan, D.	eleven	thirteen	twelve	36
Mary E. Peterson, S. L.	none	one	none	1
Blanks	three	seven	eight	18

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Auditor				
Elzear H. Choquette,	D. eleven	fourteen	twelve	37
Alongo B. Cook,	P. seventy-one	eighty	ninety-six	247
David Craig,	S. L. none	one	none	1
Walter S. Peck,	S. none	three	none	3
Henry C. Smith, Jr.,	P. two	two	none	4
Blanks	eight	eleven	fourteen	33

## Attorney-General

Henry C. Atwell,	P. seventy-four	eighty-three	ninety-five	252
Frank Ruckter,	P. one	two	one	4
William P. Henry,	S. none	two	none	2
Thomas J. Maher,	S. L. none	one	none	1
Josiah Quincy,	D. twelve	sixteen	twelve	40
Blanks	five	seven	fourteen	26

## Councillor

James G. Harris,	P. seventy-eight	ninety	ninety-six	264
Blanks	fourteen	twenty-one	twenty-six	61

## Senator

Edward B. Eames,	P. seventy-nine	ninety	ninety-five	264
Blanks	thirteen	twenty-one	twenty-seven	61

## Representative in General Court

Walter Perham,	P. eighty	ninety-two	one hundred one	273
Blanks	twelve	nineteen	twenty-one	52

## County Commissioner, Middlesex County

Walter C. Wardwell,	P. <sup>seventy</sup> seven	eighty-nine	ninety	256
Blanks	fifteen	twenty-two	thirty-two	69

Shall the Article of Amendment relative to absentee voting, be approved and ratified?

Yes	sixty-nine	seventy-eight	eighty-seven	234
No	nine	sixteen	twelve	37

Blanks fourteen seventeen twenty-three 54

Shall the Article of Amendment relative to appropriations for educational and benevolent purposes, be approved and ratified?

Yes	seventy-two	ninety	ninety-seven	259
No	eleven	twelve	thirteen	36
Blanks	nine	nine	twelve	30

Shall the Article of Amendment relative to the taking and distribution by the Commonwealth and its municipalities of common necessities of life, be approved and ratified?

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Yes	seventy-one	eighty-five	ninety-six	252
No	eight	seven	six	21
Blanks	thirteen	nineteen	twenty	52

Total number of ballots cast 92 111 122 325

Vote for Representative in the Eleventh Middlesex District, 1917.

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Plympton	Westford	Totals
Walter Perham of Chelmsford	273	152	59	520	125	84	216	1429
Blanks	52	43	10	153	21	8	76	363
Totals	325	195	69	673	146	92	292	1792

(signed)

Horace A. Tuttle Clerk of Acton  
 Charles W. Jenks " " Bedford  
 Dexter C. Whittemore " " Carlisle  
 Edward J. Robbins " " Chelmsford  
 Charles P. Watts " " Littleton  
 Charles P. Littlehale " " Plympton  
 Charles L. Hildreth " " Westford

Warrant for the Annual Meeting,  
March 4, 1918.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton  
in the County aforesaid. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts you are hereby required and directed  
to notify and warn the inhabitants of said  
town who are qualified to vote in elections  
and town affairs therein, to meet in the Town  
Hall, in said town, on Monday, the fourth  
day of March, 1918, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon,  
there and there to act on the following articles,  
namely:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the  
following named town officials, to wit: One  
town clerk for one year, one selectman for three  
years, three overseers of the poor for one year,  
one town treasurer for one year, five members  
of the finance committee for one year, one collector  
of taxes for one year, one tree wardens for one  
year, four constables for one year, four field  
drivers for one year, three fence viewers for  
one year, one assessor for three years, one  
trustee for the Memorial library for three years,  
one member of the school committee for three  
years, one cemetery commissioner for three  
years, one member of the board of health for  
three years. Also on the same ballot to  
vote Yes or No on the following question: "Shall  
licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating  
liquors in this town?" The polls will  
be opened at 9:30 A.M., and may be closed at 4 P.M.

- Art. 3. To choose all town officers not named in  
Article 2, and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. 4. To see if the town will accept the reports  
of the various town officials.
- Art. 5. To hear and act on the reports of any  
committees chosen at any previous meeting that  
have not already reported.
- Art. 6. To see what sums of money the town will  
raise by taxation and appropriate to defray  
the necessary and usual expenses of the  
several departments of the town.
- Art. 7. To see what amount of money the town  
will raise and appropriate for the due  
observance of Memorial day.
- Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will  
appropriate for the enforcement of the liquor law,  
or act anything thereon.
- Art. 9. To see what action the town will take  
in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. 10. To see if the town will pay for fighting  
brush fires and fix the price, or act anything  
thereon.
- Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise  
and appropriate a sum of money to insure the  
employees of the town, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the  
treasurer with the approval of the selectmen  
to borrow money from time to time in  
anticipation of the revenue of the financial

year beginning January 1st, 1918, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 13. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for payment of premiums on treasurer's and collector's bond, or act anything thereon.

Art. 14. To see what action the town will take in regard to the extermination of the elm leaf beetle, or act anything thereon.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to continue the drain pipe near the house of Lewis Willard on Martin Street, South Acton, or instruct the road commissioners to continue the drain pipe past the oak tree on Martin Street, or act anything thereon.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to increase the number of its school committee.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to finish the rebuilding of the "Lowell Road," or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in the following places: One each in the stores of C. H. Mead & Co., W. E. Whitcomb, George H. Reed, M. E. Baylor & Co., Herbert W. Lewis, Finney & Whit, one in each of the R. R. Stations and Post Offices, and at the Nagog House, at least seven days before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to

the selectmen or the town clerk on or before the time for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands in Acton this sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1918.

(signed) Charles J. Holton,  
Warren H. Jones,  
Wm. H. Kingsley,  
Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have posted attested copies of this warrant in each and all of the several places as directed.

(signed) John D. Mc Niff.  
Constable.

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting,  
March 4, 1918.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk.

Voted: No dispense with the reading of the warrant in full.

C. D. Cram, Herbert F. Robbins and Charles E. Smith were sworn as tellers by the Town Clerk.

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.  
Ernest R. Neale was sworn as teller by the moderator.

Art. 2. The polls were opened for the election of officers at 9:30 A. M. It was voted to close the polls at 4 P. M.

Following is the vote for town officers:

Town Clerk - one year - Horace A. Tuttle, sworn 82

Selectman - three years - Charles J. Holton, sworn 76

Assessor - three years - James B. Tuttle, sworn 77

Overseers of the Poor - one year - William H. Kingsley, sworn 81

Warren H. Jones, sworn 81

Charles J. Holton, sworn 74

Treasurer - one year - Frank W. Hoyt, sworn 78

Collector of Taxes - one year - Arthur M. Whitcomb, sworn 82

Constables - one year - John T. McTiff, sworn 80

Oliver L. Wood, 80

James N. Berry, 78

Hollis A. Leach, 77

Field Drivers - one year - John T. McTiff, 74

Oliver L. Wood, sworn 74

James N. Berry, 73

Hollis A. Leach, 74

Fence Viewers - one year - Charles J. Holton, sworn 73

Warren H. Jones, 74

William H. Kingsley, 77

School Committee - three years - Herbert W. Lewis, 75

Cemetery Commissioners - three years - Julian Tuttle, 78

Board of Health - three years - Frank E. Parker, 67

Board of Health - one year (to fill vacancy) Theron A. Newton, sworn 69

Trustee of Memorial Library - three years - Lucius A. Herselton, 76

Tree Warden - one year - James O'Neil, 72

Finance Committee - one year - James B. Tuttle, 76

Edgar H. Hall, 76

Asaph Merriam, 71

Horace A. Tuttle, 74

Arthur M. Whitcomb, 76

On the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Eleven (11) voted Yes

Eighty-five (85) voted No.

Art. 3. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to appoint surveyors of lumber, wood and bark.

Chose J. Warren Flagg trustee of the Goodnow fund for three years.

Voted: That the salary of the tax collector be one percent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the treasurer be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars, and the other members fifty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the superintendent of streets be fixed by the selectmen.

Art. 4. Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.

Art. 5. Voted: To accept the report of the committee appointed to consider the placing of the names of certain men who served in the war of the Revolution on the Isaac Davis monument.

Voted: To excuse this committee from further service.

Voted: That a committee be appointed by the moderator to consider the perpetuation of the names of Acton men who served in the war of the Revolution and the form in which it shall be done.

Mr. Allen Brooks Parker presented a report in writing for the committee on military preparedness.

Voted: To accept the report of the committee.

Voted: That the thanks of the town be given to the committee for their services.

Voted: That the thanks of the town be given to Messrs. Finney and Hoyt for the use of Exchange Hall.

Voted: That Allen Brooks Parker, Nelson J. Cole and Oliver D. Wood be a committee on military preparedness.

Voted: That one hundred dollars be appropriated for the use of this committee.

Voted: That a statement of military service and contributions to the war in the town of Acton, covering the years 1917 and 1918, be printed in the next annual town report.

Voted: The following resolution: "Resolved that we, the citizens of this town in town meeting assembled, having before us the Proclamation

of the Governor of this Commonwealth, issued February 22nd, 1918, will aid in carrying through by all means in our power, the War Savings plan put before the country by the secretary of the treasury."

Voted: That the use of the town buildings be given to committees and organizations engaged in war work.

Voted: To accept the report of the committee on improvement of the grounds around the Town Hall.

Art. 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate for	
Roads and bridges	\$4,000.00
Rebuilding of the Lowell Road	1,000.00
Memorial Library, current expenses	450.00
Memorial Library, books	200.00
Schools	21,000.00
Hydrant service	2,775.00
Street lighting	3,250.00
Moth work	827.15

Voted: To appropriate for	
Salaries of town officers	2,000.00
Oiling roads	700.00
Buildings and grounds	200.00
Police department	200.00
Board of Health	500.00
Town home	500.00
Outside poor	1,300.00
Cemeteries	600.00
Unclassified	100.00
Printing	200.00
Reserve fund	1,000.00
Military aid	200.00
Fire department	400.00
Repairs on fire trucks	200.00

Memorial Day	\$ 100.00
Enforcement of liquor laws	830.30
Insurance of employees	150.00
Premium on treasurer's and collector's bonds	150.00
Elm Leaf Beetle control of	400.00
Fighting forest fires	200.00

Art. 7. Voted: To appropriate one hundred dollars.

Art. 8. Voted: To appropriate the unexpended balance of 1917, \$830.30.

Art. 9. Voted: That all taxes shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1918, and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1918, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1918, until such taxes are paid.

Voted: That poll and personal taxes only be payable on demand.

Voted: That the collector shall issue summonses for all poll and personal taxes only remaining unpaid Sept. 1, and that the collector shall collect all taxes committed to him within the municipal year in which they are assessed.

Art. 10. Voted: To pay the wardens and deputy warden thirty-five cents per hour and others twenty-five cents per hour.

Voted: To appropriate two hundred dollars.

Art. 11. Voted: To appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars.

Art. 12. Voted: That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1918, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 13. Voted: To appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars.

Art. 14. Voted: To appropriate four hundred dollars to be expended at the discretion of the selectmen.

Art. 15. Voted: That the matter be referred to the selectmen.

Art. 16. Voted: That the number of the school committee be increased to six.

Art. 17. Voted: To raise and appropriate \$1,000, on condition that the state and county appropriate an equal amount and provided the building of the road shall be let out to the lowest bidder with the right to reject any and all bids.

Voted: To accept the Clerk's minutes of the meeting.

Meeting voted to adjourn.

Warrant for the State Election,  
May 1, 1917.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex S.S.

To either of the constables of the town of  
Acton in the county aforesaid. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
you are hereby required and directed to notify and  
warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton who  
are qualified to vote in elections therein to meet in  
their several polling places in their respective  
precincts in said Acton to wit: Precinct 1 polling  
place, Town Hall; Precinct 2 polling place,  
Universalist Church South Acton; Precinct 3 polling  
place, Fire House West Acton; on Tuesday the  
first day of May, 1917 at 12 o'clock noon, there  
and there to bring into the precinct officers of  
their respective precincts their votes on one ballot  
for the following Delegates to the Constitutional  
Convention:

16 Delegates at large; 4 Delegates from the 5th  
Congressional Dist; 1 Delegate from the 11th  
Middlesex Representative District.

The polls will be opened at 12 o'clock noon  
and closed at 4 o'clock P.M. at each and all of the  
several precincts and you are hereby commanded  
to serve this warrant by posting attested copies  
thereof at each of the places as directed by  
vote of the town seven days at least before  
the time appointed for holding said meetings.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this  
warrant with your doings thereon or a certified  
copy thereof, to each of the several precinct  
wardens, at the time and place of meetings aforesaid  
and to the town clerk as soon as may be.

Given under our hands at Acton this 20th  
day of April, 1917.

(signed) Charles J. Holtow,  
Wm H. Kingley,  
Warren H. Jones,  
Selectmen of Acton.

(signed) John P. Mc Niff  
Constable.

## Record of the State Election,

May 1, 1917.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law directed, and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

## Delegates to Constitutional Convention.

Delegates at large	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Charles Francis Adams	thirty-nine	twenty-three	twenty-seven	89
George W. Anderson	fourteen	eight	sixteen	38
Albert S. Apsey	thirty-three	twenty-one	twenty-two	76
Charles J. Barton	twenty-nine	twenty	twenty-one	70
John L. Bates	forty	twenty-three	twenty-four	87
William H. Brooks	thirty-four	twenty	twenty-one	75
Walter A. Buie	six	four	ten	20
Charles F. Choate, Jr.	thirty-two	twenty-one	twenty-two	75
Charles W. Clifford	thirty	nineteen	eighteen	67
George W. Coleman	nine	seven	thirteen	29
Louis C. Coolidge	thirty-six	twenty-one	twenty-three	80
John W. Cummings	thirty-three	twenty-one	twenty-six	80
Edwin M. Curtis	thirty-four	twenty-two	twenty-six	82
Daniel P. Donovan	five	five	seven	17
Frank E. Dunbar	thirty-two	eighteen	twenty-two	72
Samuel J. Elder	thirty-six	twenty	twenty-five	81
Wilhelm P. Evans, Jr.	twenty-eight	twenty-one	twenty	69
Eugene N. Foss	ten	four	three	17
Matthew Hale	eleven	four	fourteen	29
Arthur D. Hill	fourteen	five	eleven	30
Patrick H. Jennings	three	five	eight	16
Abbot Lawrence Lowell	thirty-six	eighteen	twenty-three	77
Nathan Matthews	thirty-one	seventeen	twenty-one	69
James A. Moriarty	four	four	eight	16
Joseph C. Pelletier	eight	seven	eight	23
Josiah Quincy	thirteen	seven	fifteen	35

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Moorfield Storey	thirty-five	twenty-two	eighteen	75
Charles B. Strecker	five	three	nine	17
Joseph Walker	twelve	nine	eleven	32
David J. Walsh	ten	nine	thirteen	32
Sherman L. Whipple	fourteen	nine	fourteen	37
George H. Wrenn	nine	four	eleven	24
Blanks	three	twenty-seven	thirty	60

## Delegates to Constitutional Convention.

## Fifth Congressional District

Chester W. Clark	twenty-seven	six	seventeen	50
John W. Daly	five	five	six	16
Edward Fisher	thirty-four	nineteen	thirty	83
Hamlet S. Greenwood	twenty-five	fifteen	twenty-two	62
James Wilson Grimes	twenty-one	twenty	twenty-eight	69
H. Harding Hale	twenty-nine	twenty-two	sixteen	67
William Odlin	six	four	five	15
Blanks	twenty-five	twenty-one	sixteen	62

## Delegate to Constitutional Convention.

## Eleventh Middlesex Representative District

Edward J. Robbins	thirty-five	twenty-one	thirty	86
Blanks	eight	seven	five	20

Total number of ballots cast forty-three twenty-eight thirty-five 106

Warrant for the State Primary,  
September 25, 1917.  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex, S. S.

To either of the constables of the town of Acton.  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the several polling places in their respective precincts in said Acton, to wit: Precinct 1, Town Hall; Precinct 2, Universalist Church, South Acton, Precinct 3, Fire House, West Acton; on Tuesday the twenty-fifth day of September, 1917 at 6:30 o'clock P. M. for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following offices: Governor for this Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor for this Commonwealth, Secretary of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General for this Commonwealth, Auditor of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth, Attorney General for this Commonwealth, Councillor for the sixth Councillor Dist., Senator for the seventh Senatorial Dist., One Representative in General Court for the 11<sup>th</sup> Representative Dist., County Commissioner for Middlesex County, and for the election of the following officers: District member of the State Committee for each political party for the 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial Dist., Five members of the Democratic Town Committee, Ten members of the Republican Town Committee, Delegates to State Conventions of political parties. All the above candidates and officers to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from 6:30 to 8:30 P. M. and you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as

directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meetings.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of August A. D. 1917.

(Signed) Charles J. Holtom,  
Warren H. Jones,  
W<sup>m</sup> H. Kingsley,  
Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have this day posted attested copies of this warrant at each and all of the places as directed by vote of the town.

(Signed) John A. McNeill,  
Constable.

Record of the State Primary Election,  
September 25, 1917.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acotw held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Candidates of the Republican Party.

Governor	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Grafton D. Cushing	two	three	thirteen	18
Samuel W. McCall	thirty	twenty	thirty-one	81
Blanks	one	none	two	3
Lieutenant Governor				
Calvin Coolidge	thirty-three	twenty-one	forty-three	97
Blanks	none	two	three	5
Secretary				
Albert P. Langtry	thirty-two	twenty-two	forty-four	98
Blanks	one	one	two	4
Treasurer				
Charles L. Burrill	thirty-three	twenty-two	forty-two	97
Blanks	none	one	four	5
Auditor				
Charles Bruce	twelve	five	fifteen	32
Alonzo B. Cook	twenty	seventeen	twenty-six	63
Blanks	one	one	five	7
Attorney-General				
Henry C. Attwill	twenty-five	twenty-one	thirty-eight	84
Conrad W. Crocker	six	two	one	9
Blanks	two	none	seven	9
Councillor				
James G. Harris	twenty-six	nineteen	thirty-eight	83
Blanks	seven	four	nicht	19

Senator	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Frank P. Bennett	six	four	three	13
Edward B. Eames	eleven	five	fourteen	30
Francis M. Hill	seven	eight	five	20
Immanuel Pfeiffer, Jr.	eight	five	twenty-three	36
Blanks	one	one	one	3
Representative in General Court				
Walter Berham	thirty-three	twenty	forty-two	95
Blanks	none	three	four	7
County Commissioner				
Walter C. Wardwell	thirty-two	twenty	forty	92
Blanks	one	three	six	10
State Committee				
Louis Pfeiffer	twenty-eight	nineteen	thirty-eight	85
Blanks	five	four	eight	17
Delegates to State Convention				
Charles J. Holton	thirty	eighteen	thirty-seven	85
Horace F. Tuttle	thirty	twenty	thirty-six	86
Fred Burke	thirty	nineteen	thirty-seven	86
Blanks	nine	twelve	twenty-eight	49
Town Committee				
James A. Grimes	twenty-six	seventeen	forty-one	84
Horace F. Tuttle	twenty-seven	twenty-one	forty	88
Frank W. Hoyt	twenty-eight	nineteen	thirty-nine	86
Ralph L. Hastings	twenty-seven	twenty	thirty-nine	86
Charles H. Mead	twenty-seven	nineteen	thirty-seven	83
Charles J. Holton	twenty-six	seventeen	thirty-eight	81
Benjamin J. Ineson	twenty-five	twenty	thirty-nine	84
David C. Harris	twenty-five	nineteen	thirty-eight	82
Luther Conant, Jr.	twenty-seven	twenty	thirty-seven	84
Frank R. Knowlton	twenty-eight	eighteen	thirty-four	80
Blanks	sixty-four	forty	seventy-eight	182

## Candidates of the Democratic Party

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Governor				
Frederick W. Mansfield	two	none	three	5
Blanks	none	none	one	1
Lieutenant Governor				
Mathew Hale	none	none	four	4
Blanks	two	none	none	2
Secretary				
Arthur B. Reed	none	none	four	4
Blanks	two	none	none	2
Treasurer				
Humphrey O'Sullivan	none	none	four	4
Blanks	two	none	none	2
Auditor				
Elgie H. Choquette	none	none	four	4
Blanks	two	none	none	2
Attorney-General				
Josiah Quincy	none	none	four	4
Blanks	two	none	none	2
Councillor				
Blanks	two	none	four	6
Senator				
Blanks	two	none	four	6
Representative in General Court				
Blanks	two	none	four	6
County Commissioners				
Blanks	two	none	four	6
State Committee				
Blanks	two	none	four	6
Delegates to State Convention				
D. R. Kingeley	none	none	two	2
James Kingeley	none	none	one	1
Blanks	two	none	one	3
Town Committee				
D. R. Kingeley	none	none	two	2
E. A. Swift	none	none	two	2
G. P. Littlefield	none	none	two	2
James Coughlin	none	none	two	2
Frank Crowley	none	none	one	1
Blanks	two	none	eleven	21

## Warrant for the State Primary,

September 24, 1918.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Middlesex, s.s.

To either of the Constables of the town of Acton. Greeting:-

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet at their several polling places in said town, to wit: Precinct 1, Town Hall; Precinct 2, Universalist Church in South Acton; Precinct 3, Fire House at West Acton, Tuesday the twenty-fourth day of September at 6 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following offices:

Governor for this Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor for this Commonwealth, Secretary of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General for this Commonwealth, Auditor of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth, Attorney-General for this Commonwealth, U.S. Senator in Congress for this Commonwealth, Congressman for fifth Congressional District, Councillor for sixth Councillor District, Senator for seventh Middlesex Senatorial District, One Representative in General Court for eleventh Middlesex Representative District, County Commissioner for Middlesex County, County Treasurer for Middlesex County, Register of Probate and Insolvency for Middlesex County; and for the election of the following officers: District member of State Committee for each political party for the seventh Senatorial District, Five members of the Democratic Town Committee, Ten members of the Republican Town Committee, — members of the Socialist Town Committee, Delegates to State Convention of the Democratic Party,

Delegates to State Convention of the Republican Party,  
Delegates to State Convention of the Socialist Party.  
All the above candidates and officers are to be  
voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from six to eight o'clock  
P.M. and you are directed to serve this warrant  
by posting attested copies thereof at each and  
all of the places as directed by the town seven  
days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make return of this  
warrant with your doings thereon at the time  
and place of said meetings.

Given under our hands this ninth day of  
September A. D. 1918.

(signed) Charles J. Holtow,  
Warren H. Jones,  
Wm. H. Kingsley,  
Selectmen of Acton.

(signed) John P. McNiff,  
Constable

Record of the State Primary Elections,  
September 24, 1918.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of  
Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant  
all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and  
declaration thereof made as by law directed and the  
following is a true record of the names of all  
persons voted for, the number of votes for each person  
and the title of the office for which he was  
proposed.

Candidates of the Democratic Party

Governor	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Edward P. Barry	none	none	one	1
William A. Gaston	two	one	one	4
Richard H. Long	one	none	five	6
Blanks	none	none	one	1
Lieutenant Governor				
Joseph H. O'Neil	none	none	seven	7
Blanks	three	one	one	5
Secretary				
Charles H. McElue	none	none	seven	7
Blanks	three	one	one	5
Treasurer				
Charles Giddings	none	none	seven	7
Blanks	three	one	one	5
Auditor				
Francis M. Costello	none	none	seven	7
Blanks	three	one	one	5
Attorney-General				
Joseph L. P. St. Coeur	none	none	seven	7
Blanks	three	one	one	5
Senator in Congress				
David J. Walsh	three	one	five	9
Blanks	none	none	three	3
Congressman				
Blanks	three	one	eight	12
Councillor				
Blanks	three	one	eight	12

Senator	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Thomas J. Bolan	none	none	four	4
Blanks	three	one	four	8
Representative in General Court				
Blanks	three	one	eight	12
County Commissioner				
Blanks	three	one	eight	12
County Treasurer				
Blanks	three	one	eight	12
Register of Probate & Insolvency				
Blanks	three	one	eight	12
State Committee				
Blanks	three	one	eight	12
Delegate to State Convention				
David Q. Kingley	none	none	two	2
Blanks	three	one	six	10
Town Committee				
Charles H. Hart	none	none	three	3
Edwin A. Swift	none	none	three	3
David Q. Kingley	none	none	three	3
Guy P. Littlefield	none	none	three	3
James C. Coughlin	none	none	three	3
Blanks	fifteen	five	twenty-five	45

### Candidates of the Republican Party

Governor	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Calvin Coolidge	twenty-one	fourteen	twenty-one	56
Blanks	one	two	none	3
Lieutenant Governor				
Channing H. Cox	fifteen	twelve	fourteen	41
Guy Andrews Ham	six	four	seven	17
Blanks	one	none	none	1
Secretary				
Albert P. Langtry	twenty	sixteen	nineteen	55
Blanks	two	none	two	4

Treasurer	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Charles L. Burrell	eighteen	fifteen	eighteen	51
Frank W. Beyer	one	one	two	4
Blanks	three	none	one	4
Auditor				
Alonzo B. Cook	eighteen	thirteen	seventeen	48
Alonzo P. Grinnell	one	three	one	5
Blanks	three	none	three	6
Attorney-General				
J. Weston Allen	eleven	five	ten	26
Henry C. Atteville	nine	eleven	eight	28
Blanks	two	none	three	5
Senator in Congress				
John W. Weeks	twenty	fifteen	nineteen	54
Blanks	two	one	two	5
Congressman				
John Jacob Rogers	twenty	sixteen	twenty-one	57
Blanks	two	none	none	2
Councillor				
James G. Harris	nineteen	fifteen	eighteen	52
Blanks	three	one	three	7
Senator				
Edward B. Earnes	nineteen	fifteen	nineteen	53
Blanks	three	one	two	6
Representative in General Court				
James Harry Wilkins	nineteen	fourteen	nineteen	52
Blanks	three	two	two	7
County Commissioner				
Alfred L. Cutting	eighteen	fifteen	eighteen	51
Blanks	four	one	three	8
County Treasurer				
Charles Bruce	eight	five	four	17
Joseph O. Hayden	thirteen	nine	fifteen	37
Blanks	one	two	two	5
Register of Probate & Insolvency				
William G. Andrew	six	three	four	13
Frederick M. Eddy	thirteen	twelve	fifteen	40
Blanks	three	one	two	6

State Committee	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Louis Pfeiffer	twenty	fourteen	fourteen	48
Blanks	two	two	seven	11
Delegates to State Convention				
Frank W. Hoit	twenty one	thirteen	seventeen	51
Edgar H. Hall	twenty one	fourteen	nineteen	54
Blanks	two	five	six	13
Town Committee				
James A. Grimes	eighteen	fourteen	eighteen	50
Horace P. Tuttle	twenty	fifteen	eighteen	53
Frank W. Hoit	twenty	fifteen	eighteen	53
Ralph L. Hastings	twenty	fourteen	eighteen	52
Charles H. Mead	twenty	fourteen	eighteen	52
Charles J. Holton	eighteen	fourteen	eighteen	50
Benjamin J. Ineson	seventeen	fourteen	eighteen	49
David C. Harris	seventeen	fourteen	eighteen	49
Moses E. Taylor	eighteen	fourteen	eighteen	50
Frank P. Knowlton	twenty one	fourteen	eighteen	53
Blanks	thirty one	eighteen	thirty	79

For the Candidates of the Socialist Party  
no ballots were cast.

# Warrant for the State Election,

November 5, 1918.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the town of Acton.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Acton and particularly the legal voters thereof, to meet at the polling places in the several precincts to which they respectively belong, on Tuesday the fifth day of November A. D. 1918 at 6:30 o'clock A. M. then and there to bring in their votes on one ballot for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, all for this Commonwealth, Representative in Congress for the fifth Congressional District, Senator in Congress, Councillor for the sixth Councillor District, Senator for the seventh Senatorial District, Representative in the General Court, One County Commissioner for Middlesex County, County Treasurer, Register of Probate and Insolvency and for any or all other State, County or District Officers. Also to vote yes or No on the acceptance of the following Articles of Amendment submitted by the Constitutional Convention:

Article of Amendment No. 1.

The establishment of the popular initiative and referendum and the legislative initiative of specific amendments of the Constitution.

Article of Amendment No. 2.

The conservation, development and utilization of the agricultural, mineral, forest, water and other natural resources of the Commonwealth are public uses, and the general court shall have power to provide for the taking, upon payment of just compensation therefor, of lands and easements or interests therein, including water and mineral rights, for the purpose of securing

and promoting the proper conservation, development, utilization and control thereof and to enact legislation necessary or expedient therefor.

Article of Amendment No. 3.

Advertising on public ways, in public places and on private property within public view may be regulated and restricted by law.

Article of Amendment No. 4.

The preservation and maintenance of ancient landmarks and other property of historical or antiquarian interest is a public use, and the Commonwealth and the cities and towns therein may, upon payment of just compensation, take such property or any interest therein under such regulations as the general court may prescribe.

Article of Amendment No. 5.

The general court, by concurrent vote of the two houses, may take a recess or recesses amounting to not more than thirty days; but no such recess shall extend beyond the sixtieth day from the date of their first assembling.

Article of Amendment No. 6.

To authorize the General Court to prescribe, subject to certain restrictions, the manner of the appointment and removal of military and naval officers to be commissioned by the Governor.

Article of Amendment No. 7.

To define the powers and duties of the General Court relative to the military and naval forces, and of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief thereof.

Article of Amendment No. 8.

To provide for the succession, in cases of vacancies in the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor, by the secretary, attorney-general, treasurer and receiver general, and auditor, in the order named.

Article of Amendment No. 9.

To authorize the Governor to return to the General Court with a recommendation for amendment bills and resolves which have been laid before him.

Article of Amendment No. 10.

Article IV of the articles of amendment of the Constitution of the Commonwealth is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words:— Women shall be eligible to appointment as notaries public. Change of name shall render the commission void, but shall not prevent reappointment under the new name.

Article of Amendment No. 11.

(Relative to the Retirement of Judicial Officers)  
Article I of Chapter III of Part the Second of the Constitution is hereby amended by the addition of the following words:— and provided also that the governor, with the consent of the council, may after due notice and hearing retire them because of advanced age or mental or physical disability. Such retirement shall be subject to any provisions made by law as to pensions or allowances payable to such officers upon their voluntary retirement.

Article of Amendment No. 12.

Every charter, franchise or act of incorporation shall forever remain subject to revocation and amendment.

Article of Amendment No. 13.

The general court shall have power to limit buildings according to their use or construction to specified districts of cities and towns.

Article of Amendment No. 14.

The general court shall have authority to provide for compulsory voting at elections, but the right of secret voting shall be preserved.

## Article of Amendment No. 15.

To limit the power of the General Court to lend the credit of the Commonwealth and to contract loans.

## Article of Amendment No. 16.

To provide for a state budget and the veto by the Governor of items or parts of items in appropriation bills.

## Article of Amendment No. 17.

To provide for biennial elections of state officers, councillors and members of the General Court.

## Article of Amendment No. 18.

No person elected to the general court shall during the term for which he was elected be appointed to any office created or the emoluments whereof are increased during such term, nor receive additional salary or compensation for service upon any recess committee or commission except a committee appointed to examine a general revision of the statutes of the Commonwealth when submitted to the general court for adoption.

## Article of Amendment No. 19.

On or before January first, nineteen hundred twenty-one, the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth shall be organized in not more than twenty departments, in one of which every executive and administrative office, board and commission, except those officers serving directly under the governor or the council, shall be placed. Such departments shall be under such supervision and regulation as the general court may from time to time prescribe by law.

The polling places in the several precincts are as follows: Precinct 1, Town Hall; Precinct 2, Universalist Church South Acton; Precinct 3, Fire House, West Acton.

The polls will open at 6:30 A. M. and close at 4 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies attested by you at each and all of the places as directed by vote of the Town, seven days at least before the appointed time for holding said meeting.

Thereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen or Town Clerk on or before the time for holding said meeting.

Given under our hand this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1918.

(Signed) Charles J. Holton,  
Warren H. Jones,  
W<sup>m</sup> H. Kingley,  
Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have posted attested copies of this warrant as required by law.

(Signed) John P. McNiff,  
Constable.

## Record of the State Election.

November 5, 1918.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declarations thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Governor	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Calvin Coolidge	R. eighty-three	seventy-four	one hundred seven	264
Richard H. Long	D. seventeen	thirty-eight	twenty-two	77
Sylvester J. McBride	S. none	none	none	0
Ingvar Paulsen	S.L. none	none	none	0
Blanks	one	none	none	1
Lieutenant Governor				
Channing H. Cox	R. eighty-four	eighty	one hundred four	268
Oscar Kinsalas	S.L. none	one	none	1
Joseph H. O'Neil	D. sixteen	twenty-nine	twenty-one	66
Blanks	one	two	four	7
Secretary				
Albert F. Langtry	R. eighty-one	seventy-nine	one hundred four	264
Charles H. McElue	D. seventeen	thirty-one	sixteen	64
William Taylor	S.L. none	none	none	0
Blanks	three	two	nine	14
Treasurer				
Charles L. Burrill	R. eighty-one	eighty-two	one hundred five	268
Charles Giddings	D. eighteen	twenty-seven	eighteen	63
Mary E. Peterson	S.L. none	none	none	0
Blanks	two	three	six	11
Auditor				
Alonso B. Cook	R. seventy-nine	seventy-eight	one hundred one	258
Francis M. Costello	D. eighteen	thirty	nineteen	67
Fred E. Orlicher	S.L. one	none	none	1
Blanks	three	four	nine	16

Attorney-General	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Henry C. Attwell	R. eighty	eighty-six	one hundred four	270
Morris D. Becker	S.L. none	none	none	0
Joseph T. St. Cocur	D. seventeen	twenty-three	eighteen	58
Blanks	four	three	seven	14
Senator in Congress				
Thomas W. Lawson	R. four	six	one	11
David J. Walsh	D. twenty	forty-nine	twenty-four	93
John W. Weeks	R. seventy-five	fifty-two	one hundred one	228
Blanks	two	five	three	10
Congressman				
John Jacob Rogers	R. eighty-seven	ninety-two	one hundred eight	287
Blanks	fourteen	twenty	twenty-one	55
Councillor				
James G. Harris	R. eighty-six	eighty-seven	ninety-eight	271
Blanks	fifteen	twenty-five	thirty-one	71
Senator				
Edward B. Earnes	R. eighty-four	eighty-seven	ninety-nine	270
Blanks	seventeen	twenty-five	thirty	72
Representative in General Court				
James Harry Wilkins	R. eighty-six	eighty-nine	ninety-eight	273
Blanks	fifteen	twenty-three	thirty-one	69
County Commissioner				
Alfred L. Cutting	R. eighty-seven	ninety	ninety-eight	275
Blanks	fourteen	twenty-two	thirty-one	67
County Treasurer				
Joseph O. Hayden	R. eighty-six	ninety	ninety-six	272
Blanks	fifteen	twenty-two	thirty-three	70
Register of Probate & Insolvency				
Frederick M. Estey	R. eighty-seven	eighty-nine	one hundred one	277
Blanks	fourteen	twenty-three	twenty-eight	65

Vote on the Following Articles of Amendment Submitted by the Constitutional Convention.

		Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Art. 1.	The establishment of the popular initiative and referendum and the legislative initiative of specific amendments to the constitution.				
	Yes	twelve	twenty-seven	twenty-six	65
	No	seventy-four	sixty	seventy-eight	212
	Blanks	fifteen	twenty-five	twenty-five	65
Art. 2.	Relative to the public interest in natural resources.				
	Yes	twenty-four	forty-six	thirty-three	103
	No	forty-four	thirty-four	fifty	128
	Blanks	thirty-three	thirty-two	forty-six	111
Art. 3.	No provide for regulation of advertising in public places.				
	Yes	forty-six	fifty-three	forty-four	143
	No	twenty-five	twenty-six	thirty-eight	89
	Blanks	thirty	thirty-three	forty-seven	110
Art. 4.	Relative to the preservation and maintenance of property of historical and antiquarian interest.				
	Yes	forty-four	forty-four	forty-two	130
	No	twenty-six	thirty-three	thirty-nine	98
	Blanks	thirty-one	thirty-five	forty-eight	114
Art. 5.	Relative to adjournment of the General Court.				
	Yes	thirty-three	thirty-three	thirty-five	101
	No	thirty	forty	forty	110
	Blanks	thirty-eight	thirty-nine	fifty-four	131
Art. 6.	Authorizing the General Court to prescribe the manner of appointment and removal of military and naval officers.				
	Yes	thirty-one	twenty-nine	thirty-six	96
	No	thirty-one	thirty-five	forty	106
	Blanks	thirty-nine	forty-eight	fifty-three	140
Art. 7.	Defining the powers and duties of the General Court relative to the military and naval forces.				
	Yes	thirty-one	thirty-nine	thirty-eight	108
	No	thirty	thirty-two	thirty-three	95
	Blanks	forty	forty-one	fifty-eight	139

		Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Art. 8.	Providing for the succession in case of vacancies in the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor by the Secretary, attorney-general, treasurer and receiver-general, and auditors in order named.				
	Yes	forty-two	fifty-two	forty-two	136
	No	twenty-four	twenty-eight	thirty-four	86
	Blanks	thirty-five	thirty-two	fifty-three	120
Art. 9.	Authorizing the Governor to return to the General Court with a recommendation for amendment bills and resolves which have been laid before him.				
	Yes	thirty-six	forty-four	forty	120
	No	twenty-five	twenty-seven	thirty-two	84
	Blanks	forty	forty-one	fifty-seven	138
Art. 10.	Providing that women shall be eligible to appointment as notaries public.				
	Yes	twenty-eight	thirty-five	thirty-nine	102
	No	forty	thirty-six	forty-three	119
	Blanks	thirty-three	forty-one	forty-seven	121
Art. 11.	Relative to the retirement of judicial officers.				
	Yes	thirty-eight	forty-two	thirty-four	114
	No	twenty-six	twenty-eight	thirty-six	90
	Blanks	thirty-seven	forty-two	fifty-nine	138
Art. 12.	Relative to the revocation or alteration of grants, franchises, privileges or immunities.				
	Yes	thirty-five	forty-four	twenty-eight	107
	No	thirty	twenty-eight	thirty-nine	97
	Blanks	thirty-six	forty	sixty-two	138
Art. 13.	Relative to the power of the General Court to limit buildings according to their use or construction to specified districts of cities and towns.				
	Yes	thirty-seven	forty-five	thirty-three	115
	No	twenty-nine	twenty-seven	thirty-six	92
	Blanks	thirty-five	forty	sixty	135
Art. 14.	Relative to compulsory voting at elections.				
	Yes	twenty-three	thirty-one	twenty-nine	83
	No	fifty-two	forty-three	forty-eight	143
	Blanks	twenty-six	thirty-eight	fifty-two	116

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Art. 15 Limiting the power of the General Court to lend the credit of the Commonwealth and to contract loans.				
Yes	thirty-four	thirty-three	thirty-five	102
No	thirty-three	thirty-two	thirty-seven	102
Blanks	thirty-four	forty-seven	fifty-seven	138
Art. 16 Providing for a state budget and the veto by the Governor of items or parts of items in appropriation bills.				
Yes	thirty-five	thirty-eight	thirty-five	108
No	twenty-eight	twenty-four	thirty-four	86
Blanks	thirty-eight	fifty	sixty	148
Art. 17 Providing for biennial elections of state officers, councillors and members of the General Court.				
Yes	thirty-one	thirty-three	thirty-nine	103
No	forty	thirty-nine	forty	119
Blanks	thirty	forty	fifty	120
Art. 18 Relative to service on certain legislative recess committees and commissions.				
Yes	thirty	forty-four	thirty-five	109
No	thirty-one	twenty-four	thirty-seven	92
Blanks	forty	forty-four	fifty-seven	141
Art. 19 To provide for the more efficient administration of the business of the Commonwealth.				
Yes	twenty-eight	thirty-four	thirty-eight	100
No	thirty	thirty-four	forty	104
Blanks	forty-three	forty-four	fifty-one	138

## Vote for Representative in the Eleventh Middlesex District, 1918.

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Dynegaboro	Westford	Totals
James Harry Wilkins of Carlisle	273	158	65	533	142	100	232	1503
Blanks	67	47	15	196	40	19	98	484
Totals	342	205	80	729	182	119	330	1987

(signed)

Horace P. Tuttle Town Clerk of Acton  
 Abbot R. Webber " " Bedford  
 Dexter C. Whittemore " " Carlisle  
 Edward J. Robbins " " Chelmsford  
 Oliver Jay Fairfield " " Littleton  
 Chas. D. Littlehale " " Dynegaboro  
 Chas. L. Hildreth " " Westford

Warrant for the Annual Meeting,  
March 3, 1919.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs therein, to meet in the Town Hall in said town, on Monday the third day of March, 1919, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following named town officials, to wit: One town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, three overseers of the poor for one year, one town treasurer for one year, five members of the finance committee for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, one tree warden for one year, four constables for one year, four field drivers for one year, three fence viewers for one year, one assessor for three years, one trustee for the Memorial Library for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one member of the board of health for three years, five members of the school committee. Also on the same ballot to vote Yes or No on the following question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town?"

The polls will be open at 9:30 A.M., and may be closed at 4 P.M.

Art. 3. To choose all town officers not named in Article 2, and fix salaries of all town officers.

Art. 4. To see if the town will accept the reports of the various town officials.

Art. 5. To hear and act on the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Art. 6. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the enforcement of the liquor law, or act anything thereon.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise, and appropriate for the due observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 9. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Art. 10. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix the price, or act anything thereon.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.

Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1919, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 13. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of the premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Art. 14. To see whether the town will raise and appropriate money to contribute to the cost of operation and fixed charges of the Concord, Maynard & Hudson Street Railway Company, under Chapter 288 of the General Acts of 1918; an act to authorize cities and towns to contribute to the cost of operating and fixed charges of street railway companies, or take any action thereon.

Art. 15. To see what action the town will take towards the completion of repairs on the "Lowell Road," and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 16. To see if the town will employ a district nurse.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each and all of the places as directed by vote of the town, at least seven days before the time for holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the selectmen or the town clerk, on or before the time for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands in Acton, this tenth day of February, A. D. 1919.

(signed) Charles J. Holton,  
Warren H. Jones,  
W<sup>m</sup> H. Kingsley,  
Selectmen of Acton.

Acton, Mass. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1919.

This is to certify that I have this day posted an attested copy of this warrant at each and all of the places as directed

(signed) John D. McNiff,  
Constable.

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting,  
March 3, 1919.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk,  
Charles E. Smith, Clarence D. Cronn, Ernest R. Pele,  
and Herbert A. Robbins were sworn as tellers.

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.

Art. 2. The polls were opened for the election of  
officers at 7:30 A. M. It was voted to close  
the polls at 4 P. M.

Following is the vote for town officers:

Town Clerk - one year - Horace F. Tuttle sworn 113

Selectman - three years - William H. Kingsley sworn 91

Assessor - three years - Warren H. Jones 99

Assessor - two years (to fill vacancy) Henry L. Haynes sworn 99

Assessor - one year (to fill vacancy) Albert P. Durkee sworn 91

Overseers of the Poor - one year - William H. Kingsley sworn 94

Warren H. Jones 94

Charles J. Holton 93

Treasurer - one year - Frank W. Hoyt sworn 109

Collector of Taxes - one year - Henry L. Haynes sworn 90

Constables - one year - John P. McTiff sworn 95

Oliver D. Wood sworn 93

James N. Berry 91

Hollis A. Leach sworn 83

School Committee - three years - Elsie A. Parsons sworn 109

Bertram E. Hall 107

School Committee - two years - Alice Hall Carlsile sworn 103

Harry N. Brown 103

School Committee - one year - Lily C. Case sworn 94

Cemetery Commissioner - three years - Horace F. Tuttle 106

Board of Health - three years - Theron F. Newton 94

Trustee Memorial Library - three years - Horace F. Tuttle 102

Tree Warden - one year - James O. Neil sworn 93

Finance Committee - one year - James B. Tuttle 93

Asaph Merriam 87

Finance Committee (Cont) Edgar H. Hall 96  
William P. Stevens 90  
Horace F. Tuttle 91

On the question: "Shall licenses be granted for  
the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Twenty-four (24) voted Yes

Eighty-nine (89) voted No

Art. 3. Voted: To instruct the Selectmen to appoint  
surveyors of lumber, wood and bark.

Chose Horace F. Tuttle trustee of the Goodnow  
fund for three years.

Voted: That the salary of the tax collector  
be one per cent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the treasurer be  
two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the  
selectmen be one hundred dollars, and the  
other members fifty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix  
the salary of all other town officers.

Art. 4. Voted: To accept the reports of the several town  
officers as printed.

Art. 5. Voted: To accept the report of the committee on  
Preparedness as printed in the town report.

Art. 6. Voted: To appropriate for

Roads and Bridges, including oiling	\$ 6,000.00
Rebuilding Lowell Road	1,500.00
Memorial Library, current expenses	450.00
Memorial Library, books	200.00
Schools	20,000.00
Hydrant service	2,775.00
Street lighting	3,250.00
Moth work	829.31
Salaries of town officers	2,200.00
Buildings and Grounds	300.00
Police Department	200.00
Board of Health	500.00
Town home	500.00
Outside poor	1,300.00
Cemeteries	700.00
Unclassified	200.00
Printing	200.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Military Aid	200.00
Fire Department	550.00
Memorial Day	150.00
Enforcement of Liquor Law	830.00
Insurance of employees	350.00
Control of elm leaf beetle	300.00
Premium on treasurer's and collector's bonds	150.00
Fighting forest fires	200.00
Voted: To raise by taxation for town charges	28,000.00

In accordance with the recommendation of the finance committee:

Voted: That a committee be chosen to consider the matter of selling the town farm with reference to applying the proceeds to the erection of a high school building, to

report at the next annual town meeting.

Voted: That the finance committee constitute the said committee and that they report at an earlier date if they so desire.

A motion to authorize the Overseers of the Poor to rent or close the town farm for one year did not prevail.

Art. 7. Voted: To appropriate the unexpended balance of last year.

Art. 8. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$150.00.

Art. 9. Voted: That all taxes shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1919, and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1919, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1919 until such taxes are paid.

Voted: That poll and personal taxes only be payable on demand.

Voted: That the collectors shall issue summons for all poll and personal taxes only remaining unpaid Sept. 1, 1919.

Art. 10. Voted: To pay for fighting brush fires, the amount to be fixed by the Forest Warden subject to the approval of the selectmen.

Art. 11. Acting under Art. 6, Voted: To appropriate \$350.00

Art. 12. Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning

January 1, 1919, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 13. Acting under Art. 6, Voted: To appropriate \$150.00

Art. 14 Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to be expended at the discretion of the selectmen.

Voted: To abate all taxes now due the town from said railway company

Art. 15 Voted: To appropriate \$1500.00 towards the completion of repairs on the "Lowell Road," provided the state and county appropriate an equal amount.

Art. 16 Voted: To pass over the article.

Meeting voted to adjourn.

Warrant for Special Town Meeting,  
June 23, 1919.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex, S. S.

To either of the Constables of the town of Acton, in the County aforesaid. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton who are qualified to vote in town affairs therein, to meet in the Town Hall in said town, on Monday the 23<sup>d</sup> day of June, 1919, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. Thun and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$5,000.00 to be used for further repairs on roads and bridges or do or act anything thereon.

Art. 3. To see what action the town will take, if any, towards presenting memorials to Acton Soldiers and Sailors who were in the service of our country in the late war, or act anything thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading from the house of Mrs. Gertrude Daniels to the Lowell Road at North Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. 5. To see what action the town will take towards the adoption of a system of by-laws, or act anything thereon.

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the usual places as directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Have of fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or selectmen at or before the time for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1919,

(signed) C. J. Holton,  
W. H. Jones,  
W<sup>m</sup> H. Kingsley,  
Selectmen of Acton.

(signed) John P. McHuff  
Constable

Proceedings of the Special Town Meeting  
June 23, 1919.

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.

Art. 2. Voted: Unanimously that the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be authorized to borrow three thousand dollars (\$3000.00) for a term not exceeding one year to be used for the repairing of roads and bridges.

Art. 3. Voted: Unanimously that a committee of fifteen, five from each precinct, be chosen to make arrangements for a "Welcome Home" to all who served in the "Great War" from this town.

Voted: That the moderator be instructed to appoint a nominating committee of three to report the names of fifteen persons to be voted upon at this meeting. The moderator appointed William H. Kingsley, Bertram D. Hall and Frank W. Hoyt. The nominating committee reported the following names:

William H. Kingsley, Warren H. Jones, Charles J. Holton, Gertrude C. Daniels, Clara Sawyer, Albert R. Beach, Charlotte Conant, Lulu M. Clark, Helen A. Knowlton, James B. Tuttle, Fred L. Burke, Rachel A. Haynes, Horace P. Tuttle, Frank W. Hoyt, Bertram D. Hall, and they were chosen a committee of arrangements.

Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the use of said committee.

Voted: That said committee consider the matter of a permanent memorial and report to the town at some future meeting.

Art. 4. Voted: To discontinue the road in North Acton leading from the Lowell Road to the Old County Road, near the farm of Mrs. Gertrude C. Daniels, reserving to owners of land abutting said road, the right to pass to and from their land.

Art. 5. Voted: That a committee consisting of the moderator and four others appointed by him frame a set of by-laws and report them to the town at the next annual meeting.

The following persons were appointed:  
 Allen Brooks Parker, moderator; James B. Tuttle,  
 Horace A. Tuttle, Charles J. Holton and Frank B. Lathrop.

Meeting voted to adjourn.

Warrant for the State Primary,  
 September 23, 1919.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
 Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the constables of the town of Acton.  
 Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries, to meet in their respective polling places in said town to wit: Precinct 1, Town Hall; Precinct 2, Universalist Church, South Acton; Precinct 3, Fire House, West Acton; on Tuesday, the twenty-third day of September, 1919 at six o'clock P.M. for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary officers for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following offices:

Governor for this Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor for this Commonwealth, Secretary of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General for this Commonwealth, Auditor of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth, Attorney General for this Commonwealth, Councillor for 6<sup>th</sup> Councillor District, Senator for 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District, one Representative in General Court for 11<sup>th</sup> Representative District, County Commissioner for Middlesex County, two Associate Commissioners for Middlesex County, District Attorney for Northern District and for the election of the following officers: District members of State Committee for each political party for 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District, five members of the Democratic Town Committee, ten members of the Republican Town Committee, Delegates to State Conventions of both political parties.

All the above candidates and officers to be voted for upon one ballot. The polls will be open from six to eight P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting. Given under our hands this third day of September, 1919.

(signed) Charles J. Bolton,  
W<sup>m</sup> H. Kingsley,  
Warren H. Jones,  
Selectmen of Acton.

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1919.

I have this day posted attested copies of this warrant as directed by vote of the town.

(signed) J. J. McNiff,  
Constable.

Record of the State Primary Election,  
September 23, 1919.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law directed, and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Candidates of the Republican Party.

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
<b>Governor</b>				
Calvin Coolidge	twenty-six	thirty	forty-five	101
Blanks	three	one	none	4
<b>Lieutenant Governor</b>				
Channing H. Cox	twenty-six	thirty	forty-five	101
Blanks	three	one	none	4
<b>Secretary</b>				
Albert P. Langtry	twenty-seven	thirty-one	forty-four	102
Blanks	two	none	one	3
<b>Treasurer</b>				
Fred J. Burrell	ten	twelve	seventeen	39
Charles L. Sifford	one	two	two	5
Fred P. Greenwood	four	six	none	10
Frederick N. Kerr	none	one	none	1
Frank S. Perkins	nine	six	twenty-two	37
Frederick E. Pierce	one	three	two	6
Blanks	four	one	two	7
<b>Auditor</b>				
Alonzo B. Cook	twenty-six	thirty	forty	96
Blanks	three	one	five	9
<b>Attorney-General</b>				
J. Weston Allen	ten	nine	twenty	39
Robert J. Bottomly	five	one	seven	13
James Mott Halliwell	three	three	two	8
William Harold Hitchcock	two	five	seven	14
Clarence W. Powley	one	none	none	1
David Stoneman	four	ten	six	20
Blanks	four	three	three	10

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
<b>Councillor</b>				
James G. Harris	eighteen	twenty-seven	thirty	75
Fred O. Lewis	seven	two	seven	16
Blanks	four	two	eight	14
<b>Senator</b>				
Edward B. Eames	eleven	sixteen	nineteen	46
Gardner W. Pearson	fifteen	thirteen	twenty-three	51
Blanks	three	two	three	8
<b>Representative in General Court</b>				
Fred L. Snow	twenty	eleven	fifteen	46
James H. Wilkins	seven	twenty	twenty-seven	54
Blanks	two	none	three	5
<b>County Commissioners</b>				
Smith J. Adams	six	eight	nine	23
Erson B. Barlow	nineteen	twenty-one	twenty-six	66
Arthur W. Colburn	one	two	four	7
Blanks	three	none	six	9
<b>Associate Commissioners</b>				
Frederic P. Barnes	twenty	nineteen	twenty-six	65
H. Harding Hale	twenty-four	twenty-seven	thirty-four	85
Blanks	fourteen	sixteen	thirty	60
<b>District Attorney</b>				
Nathan A. Rufts	twenty-eight	twenty-nine	forty-four	101
Blanks	one	two	one	4
<b>State Committee</b>				
Louis Pfeiffer	twenty-three	twenty-nine	thirty-five	87
Blanks	six	two	ten	18
<b>Delegates to State Convention</b>				
James A. Grimes	twenty-four	twenty-five	thirty-seven	86
Horace P. Tuttle	five	none	one	6
C. H. Mead	one	none	four	5
Albert P. Beach	none	one	none	1
Edgar Hall	none	one	one	2
David C. Harris	none	none	four	4
Blanks	twenty-eight	thirty-five	forty-three	106

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
<b>Town Committee</b>				
James A. Grimes	twenty-five	twenty-seven	thirty-seven	89
Charles H. Mead	twenty-six	twenty-eight	thirty-six	90
Charles J. Holton	twenty-five	twenty-six	thirty-four	85
Moses E. Taylor	twenty-six	twenty-eight	thirty-six	90
Horace P. Tuttle	twenty-six	twenty-seven	thirty-six	89
David C. Harris	twenty-three	twenty-eight	thirty-four	85
Frank W. Hoyt	twenty-six	twenty-seven	thirty-five	88
Ralph L. Hastings	twenty-six	twenty-seven	thirty-seven	90
Benjamin J. Ineson	twenty-three	twenty-seven	thirty-four	84
Frank R. Knowlton	twenty-five	twenty-seven	thirty-five	87
F. H. Holden	one	none	none	1
Blanks	thirty-eight	thirty-eight	ninety-six	172

### Candidates of the Democratic Party.

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
<b>Governor</b>				
Frederick S. Dietrich	none	none	none	0
Eugene H. Foss	one	none	two	3
Richard H. Long	two	two	six	10
George F. Monahan	none	none	none	0
Blanks	none	none	none	0
<b>Lieutenant Governor</b>				
John F. J. Herbert	one	one	eight	10
Blanks	two	one	none	3
<b>Secretary</b>				
Charles H. McGlue	one	one	eight	10
Blanks	two	one	none	3
<b>Treasurer</b>				
Chandler M. Wood	two	one	eight	11
Blanks	one	one	none	2
<b>Auditor</b>				
Arthur J. B. Cartier	one	one	seven	9
Blanks	two	one	one	4
<b>Attorney General</b>				
Joseph A. Coury	one	one	seven	9
Pelletier	none	none	one	1
Blanks	two	one	none	3

Councillor	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Blanks	three	two	eight	13
Senator				
Charles H. Burns	one	one	eight	10
Blanks	two	one	none	3
Representative in General Court				
Carl M. Perkins	two	one	seven	10
Blanks	one	one	one	3
County Commissioner				
Blanks	three	two	eight	13
Associate Commissioners				
Blanks	three	two	eight	13
District Attorney				
William E. Russell	one	one	eight	10
Blanks	two	one	none	3
State Committee				
Blanks	three	two	eight	13
Delegate to State Convention				
L. P. Kinsley	none	none	one	1
Blanks	three	two	seven	12
Town Committee				
David P. Kinsley	none	none	four	4
Edwin P. Swift	none	none	four	4
Eug Littlefield	none	none	four	4
James C. Coughlin	none	none	two	2
Charles Hart	none	none	two	2
Blanks	fifteen	ten	twentyfour	49

# Warrant for the State Election Nov. 4, 1919

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex S.S. To either of the constables of the town of Acton, greeting;  
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town and particularly the legal voters thereof, to meet in the polling places in the several precincts to which they respectively belong, on Tuesday the fourth day of November A.D. 1919 at 6.45 A.M. then and there to bring in their votes on one ballot for Governor, Lieut Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor and Attorney General, all for this Commonwealth. Also for Councillor for the Sixth Councillor District, Senator for the Seventh Senatorial District, One Representative in the General Court for the Eleventh Representative District, County Commissioner for Middlesex County, Two Associate Commissioners for Middlesex County, District Attorney for the Northern District. Also to vote yes or no on the following questions;

Acceptance of the rearrangement of the constitution of the Commonwealth submitted by the Constitutional Convention

Acceptance of Chapter 311, General Acts of 1919 entitled an act relative to the establishment and maintenance of continuation school and courses of instruction for employed minors.

Acceptance of Chapter 116 General Acts of 1919 entitled an act to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings and trust companies having savings departments to place deposits on interest monthly.

Polling places, Precinct 1, Town Hall, Precinct 2, Universalist Church South Acton Precinct 3, Fire house, West Acton

The polls will be open at 6.45 A.M. and closed.

at Four P.M. And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting copies, attested by you in the usual places as voted by the town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meetings.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the selectmen or town clerk on or before the time for holding said meetings.

Given under our hands at Acton this twentieth day of October A.D. 1919

Charles J. Holten

Warren H. Jones

William H. Kingsley

Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have posted attested copies of this warrant as directed by the town of Acton

John T. McNeff, Constable

A true copy, attested

Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

# Record of the State Election November 4<sup>th</sup> 1919

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton, held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person, and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Party designations; D. Democratic, R. Republican, S. Socialist; S.L. Socialist Labor; P. Prohibition				
Governor	Pit 1.	Pit 2	Pit 3.	Total
Whole number of votes cast	111.	135	144	390
Salvin Coolidge, R.	one hundred three	one hundred twenty	one hundred thirty one	354
Charles B. Ernst, P.	none	one	none	1
William A. King, S.	none	none	none	0
Richard H. Long, D.	six	thirteen	eleven	30
Ingvor Paulsen, S.L.	none	none	none	0
Blanks.	2	1	2	5

Lieut Governor				
Carl J. Brent, S.	none	two	one	3
Channing H. Cox, R.	ninety nine	one hundred seven	one hundred twenty seven	342
Edward Gordon, P.	none	none	none	0
John F. J. Herbert, D.	eight	fifteen	fourteen	37
Patrick Mulligan, S.L.	none	none	none	0
Blanks.	4	2	2	8

Secretary				
Harry W. Bowman, P.	none	none	three	3
James Hayes, S.L.	none	none	two	2
Albet P. Langtry, R.	ninety seven	one hundred seven	one hundred nineteen	332
Charles H. McGhee, D.	five	fourteen	fourteen	33
Herbert H. Thompson, S.	none	none	none	none
Blanks.	9	5	6	20

Treasurer	Paid 1	Paid 2	Paid 3	Total
Frederic J. Burrell R	eighty two	one hundred seven	one hundred thirteen	302
David Craig S. L.	none	none	none	0
Charles D. Fletcher P.	one	none	one	2
Louis Marcus S.	none	none	none	0
Chandler M. Wood, D.	twenty one	twenty three	twenty two	66
Blanks.	7	5	8	20

## Auditor

Arthur J. B. Carter, D	nine	sixteen	thirteen	38
Alonso B. Cook R	ninety two	one hundred twelve	one hundred twenty	324
Oscar Kinsalas S. L.	none	none	none	0
Walter P. J. Skahan S.	none	none	none	0
Henry J. D. Small P.	one	one	one	3
Blanks.	9	6	10	25

## Attorney General.

J. Weston Allen R	ninety six	one hundred fifteen	one hundred twenty three	334
Morris J. Becker S. L.	one	none	none	1
Joseph A. Conry D.	six	fifteen	fourteen	35
Conrad W. Crooker, P.	one	two	none	3
William R. Henry S.	none	none	none	0
Blanks.	7	3	7	17

## Councillor Sixth District

James G. Harris R.	ninety two	one hundred twelve	one hundred sixteen	320
Blanks.	19	23	28	70

## Senator 7th Middlesex District

Charles H. Burns, D.	eight	fourteen	thirteen	35
Gardner W. Pearson, R.	ninety four	one hundred fifteen	one hundred nineteen	328
Blanks.	9	6	12	27

## Representative in General Court.

## 11th Middlesex

Harl. M. Perham D.	twenty five	nineteen	twenty five	69
James H. Wilkins R.	eighty	one hundred eleven	one hundred five	296
Blanks.	6	5	14	25

County Commissioner	Paid 1	Paid 2	Paid 3	Total
Middlesex County				
Erson B. Barlow R.	ninety four	one hundred eleven	one hundred fifteen	320
Charles J. Barton D.	ten	fifteen	twelve	37
Blanks.	7	9	17	33

## Associate Commissioners Middlesex County

Frederic P. Barnes R.	eighty four	ninety two	one hundred	282
H. Harding Hale R.	forty seven	seventy three	sixty three	183
Blanks.	91	15	25	

## District Attorney Northern District

William E. Russell D.	eight	twelve	twenty	40
Nathan A. Tufts, R.	ninety five	one hundred sixteen	one hundred	327
Blanks.	8	7	8	23

Question 1. Shall the re-arrangement of the Constitution of the Commonwealth, submitted by the Constitutional Convention be approved and ratified?

Yes.	forty seven	seventy two	sixty four	183
No	nineteen	sixteen	thirteen	48
Blanks.	45	47	67	159

Question 2. Shall an act passed by the general court in the year 1919 entitled, "An act relative to the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for unemployed minors" be accepted?

Yes.	fifty one	eighty seven	seventy	208
No	seventeen	nine	seven	33
Blanks.	43	39	67	149

Question 3. Shall Chapter 116, General Acts of 1919 approved by the General Court without decision, which provides that deposits in savings banks and savings departments of trust companies may be placed on interest once a month and not oftener, that dividends on such deposits may be declared semi annually, and not oftener, and interest shall not be paid on any such deposits withdrawn between dividend days, be approved?

Yes.	sixty one	eighty four	eighty one	226
No	nineteen	twenty two	fifteen	56
Blanks.	31	29	48	108

Attest record. Attest, Horace F. Tuttle. Town Clerk.

Vote for Representative in the 11<sup>th</sup> Middlesex District 1919.

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littletton	Tyngsboro	Westford	Total
Karl M. Parkham of Chelmsford. D.	69	64	25	422	52	53	129	814
James H. Wilkins of Carlisle	296	178	69	451	151	114	219	1478
Blanks.	25	15	1	74	17	12	32	176
	390	257	95	947	220	179	380	2468

Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk of Acton  
 Abbott R. Webber Town Clerk of Bedford  
 Dexter C. Whittemore Town Clerk of Carlisle  
 Edward J. Robbins Town Clerk of Chelmsford  
 Eliot M. Young Town Clerk of Littletton  
 Charles P. Littlehale Town Clerk of Tyngsboro  
 Charles L. Hitchcock Town Clerk of Westford

Acton Feb 12, 1920

I have this day appointed Arthur F. Davis  
 assistant town clerk in accordance with the  
 provisions of Chapter 25, Section 62 of the  
 Revised Laws.

Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

Middlesex S.S.

Feb 12, 1920

Personally appeared Arthur F. Davis and  
 made oath that he would faithfully perform the  
 duties of assistant town clerk before me

Horace F. Tuttle

Justice of the Peace.

Warrant for the Annual Meeting  
 March 1, 1920.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S. To either of the Constables of the  
 town of Acton, in the County aforesaid, Greeting;  
 In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town  
 to meet in the town hall, in said town, on Monday,  
 the first day of March, 1920, at 9.30 o'clock in the  
 forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles,  
 to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting  
 Art. 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following  
 town officers, to wit, One town clerk for one year,  
 one selectman for three years, three assessors of the poor  
 for one year, one town treasurer for one year, five  
 members of the finance committee for one year,  
 one collector of taxes for one year, one tree warden for  
 one year, four constables for one year, four field  
 drivers for one year, three fence viewers for one year,  
 one assessor for three years, one trustee of Memorial  
 Library for three years, one cemetery commissioner  
 for three years, one member of the board of health  
 for three years, two members of the school committee  
 for three years.

The polls will be open at 9.30. A.M. and may  
 be closed at 4. P.M.

- Art. 3. To choose all town officers not named in Article 2  
 and fix salaries of all town officers  
 Art. 4. To see if the town will accept the reports of the  
 various town officials  
 Art. 5. To hear and act on reports of any committee  
 chosen to report at this meeting  
 Art. 6. To see what sums of money the town will raise  
 by taxation and appropriate to defray the  
 necessary and usual expenses of the several  
 departments of the town  
 Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will

appropriate for the enforcement of the liquor law or act anything thereon

Art. 8 To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial day

Art. 9 To see what action the town will take in regard to collecting of taxes

Art. 10 To see if the town will fix the price for fighting brush fires or act anything thereon

Art. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town or act anything thereon

Art. 12 To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1920 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year

Art. 13 To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon

Art. 14 To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the suppression of the elm tree beetle, or act anything thereon

Art. 15 To see what action the town will take towards extending the lighting system from Merriman's corner to the Christofferson place in South Acton

Art. 16 To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell the town farm

Art. 17 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars or some other amount and elect a director for demonstration work in agriculture and home economics, the money to be expended by and the director to serve in co-operation with the County trustees for aid to agriculture of the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics, under the provisions of Chapter 273 General Acts of 1918 it being understood that one fourth

of this amount shall be used to provide local paid supervision of boys' and girls' club work

Art. 18 To see if the town will vote to accept the fund hitherto known as the West Acton Fireman's Relief Fund, and to administer the same in accordance with the vote of the West Acton Volunteer Fireman's Association, Also, if the town will accept various other property belonging to said Association for the use of the West Acton Fire Department or act anything thereon

Art. 19 To see what action the town will take towards erecting a roll of honor for soldiers and sailors who served in the World War and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor

Art. 20 To see what action the town will take in regard to the abatement of taxes of the Concord, Maynard and Hudson street railway as voted at the last annual meeting

Art. 21 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for cutting brush, the same to be expended by the tree warden, under the direction of the selectmen, or act anything thereon

Art. 22 To see what action the town will take towards accepting a certain proposition of Mr. N. H. Tenney on expense on operating stone crusher, or act anything thereon

Art. 23 To see if the town will build a suitable vault for the safe keeping of records and other town property

Art. 24 To see if the town will vote to maintain one or more street lights on Maynard Street in South Acton and to instruct selectmen to have same installed

Art. 25 To see if the town will borrow money by the issue of notes to defray the town's share of the cost of rebuilding or repairing the Powder Mill road and Maynard street from Maynard line to South Acton or act anything thereon

And you are directed to serve this warrant by fastening copies thereof attested by you at each and all of the places as voted by the town, seven days at least before

before the time for holding meeting. Hereof fail not  
and make due return of this warrant with your  
doings thereon, to the Selectmen or the town clerk  
on or before the time of said meeting,  
Given under our hands at Acton this sixteenth  
day of February 1920.

Charles J. Holton  
Warren H. Jones  
William H. Kingsley  
Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have posted attested  
copies of this warrant as directed

John T. McNeill  
Feb 21, 1920 Constable

## Proceedings of the Annual Meeting March 1, 1920.

The meeting was called to order by the assistant town  
clerk, Charles E. Smith and Ralph W. Piper were  
appointed and sworn as tellers.

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator

Art. 2. The following is a record of the vote for town officers

Town Clerk, one year,  
Moran F. Tuttle had 77 votes <sup>sworn March 24, 1920 by F. W. Hoit J. P.</sup>  
Selectman, three years.

Warren H. Jones had 68 votes, sworn by moderator

Assessor, three years  
Albert P. Durkee had 71 votes <sup>sworn March 9, 1920 by Asst town clerk,</sup>

Overseers of the Poor, one year.  
William H. Kingsley had 64 votes sworn by moderator  
Warren H. Jones had 64 votes sworn by moderator  
Charles J. Holton had 65 votes sworn by moderator.

Treasurer, one year  
Frank W. Hoit had 74 votes sworn by moderator  
Collector of Taxes, one year, <sup>sworn April 7, 1920</sup>  
Henry L. Haynes had 70 votes before H. F. Tuttle Town Clerk  
Constables one year

John T. McNeill had 69 votes  
Oliver D. Wood had 68 votes sworn by the Asst town clerk  
James N. Berry had 63 votes  
Charles T. Baxter had 65 votes sworn Mar 8, 20 by F. W. Hoit J. P.

School Committee, three years  
Lilly C. Case had 61 votes <sup>sworn March 8, 1920 by B. E. Hall J. P.</sup>  
Alden C. Flagg had 74 votes sworn by Asst town clerk

Cemetery Commissioner, three years  
Fred W. Green had 67 votes sworn by moderator

Board of Health, three years  
Raymond F. Durkee had 69 votes sworn by Asst town clerk

Trustee of Memorial Library three years  
J. Sidney White had 69 votes

Tree Warden, one year  
James O. Neil had 70 votes

## Finance Committee

James B. Tuttle 70 votes  
 Frank W. Hoit 68 votes  
 Edgar H. Hall 68 votes  
 Asaph Merriam 66 votes  
 Horace F. Tuttle 70 votes

On the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"  
 twenty-six voted Yes. forty-three voted No.

- Apr. 3 Voted: To instruct the selectmen to appoint surveyors of wood, lumber and bark.  
 Chose Luther Conant trustee of the Goodnow Fund for three years  
 Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at one per cent of the amount collected, with no other charge against the town for this duty.  
 Voted: That the salary of the treasurer be two hundred dollars per annum.  
 Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars per annum and the other members fifty dollars each, per annum.  
 Voted: That the salary of the assessors be as follows: the chairman one hundred and twenty five dollars the clerk one hundred dollars and the remaining member seventy five dollars per annum.  
 Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salary of all other town officers.
- Apr. 4 Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers as printed
- Apr. 5 Voted: To accept the report of the committee chosen to consider the sale of the town farm  
 Voted: To accept the report of the "welcome home" committee  
 Voted: That the town place on record its appreciation of the services of this committee and grant this committee further time to consider the matters referred to it.

Voted: That any unexpended money in the hands of this committee be retained by it another year  
 No action was taken upon the report of the committee on by-laws.

Apr. 6 Voted: To appropriate for.

Roads and Bridges	\$ 6800. 00
Planing railroad bridge at S. Acton	800. 00
Memorial Library, current expenses.	450. 00
Memorial Library, books.	200. 00
Schools.	27000. 00.
Hydrant service	2775. 00
Street lighting	3250. 00
Moth work.	860. 43
Salaries of town officers	2200. 00
Buildings and grounds.	300. 00
Police department	200. 00
Board of health	500. 00
Care of the poor	2000. 00
Cemeteries.	800. 00
Unclassified	700. 00
Printing	200. 00
Reserve Fund	1500. 00
Military Aid	200. 00
Fire Department	500. 00
Memorial Day	150. 00
Enforcement of the liquor laws.	830. 00
Insurance of employees	350. 00
Treasurer's and collectors bonds.	150. 00
Elim leaf beetle, control of	300. 00
Cutting brush in highways	400. 00
Fighting forest fires	200. 00
Repairs on fire house in the center of the town	150. 00
Demonstration work in agriculture	200. 00
Voted: To raise by taxation for town charges	32000. 00
Voted: To re appropriate for repairs on the Lowell road the unexpended balance of the sum appropriated last year for repairs on said road.	

- Act. 7 Voted, To pass over the article
- Act. 8 Voted, To raise and appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars.
- Act. 9 Voted, That all taxes shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1920 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1920 interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1920 until such taxes are paid
- Act. 10 Voted, That the amount to be paid be fixed by the forest warden subject to the approval of the selectmen
- Act. 11 Voted, To appropriate three hundred and fifty dollars
- Act. 12 Voted, That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1920 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year
- Act. 13 Voted, To raise and appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars.
- Act. 14 Voted, To raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred (300) dollars.
- Act. 15 Voted, To instruct the selectmen to procure the extension of the street lighting system from Merriam's corner to the Christofferson place, six lights to be placed along the street beginning at the house of Ole Gronborg and going easterly, any other lights to be placed elsewhere in the town at the discretion of the selectmen
- Act. 16 Voted, That the selectmen be authorized and empowered to sell the town farm at public sale and to execute in behalf of the town a proper deed or deeds conveying the same, said farm to be sold in two parts. First, the farm with the buildings thereon, reserving all the pine timber on the premises easterly of the town road with the right to cut and remove the same within two years.

- Second, The pine timber standing on the premises easterly of the town road with the right to cut and remove the same within two years.
- Voted, That the money received from such sale be invested by the town treasurer as a separate fund, the income to be used for the support of the poor.
- Act. 17 Voted, That the town appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars, the same to be expended in accordance with the provisions of this article
- Voted, That the selectmen be instructed to appoint a director.
- Act. 18 Voted, That the town of Acton accept such property as has been tendered by the West Acton Volunteer Fire Association and that such property shall be held by the town for the use of the West Acton company of the town fire department.
- Voted, That the town of Acton accept the fund tendered by the West Acton Volunteer Fire Association and known as the "Relief Fund" and that said fund be and is hereby accepted in accordance with the terms of said offer which terms are made a part of this vote as follows:
- To hold the same as a trust fund upon the following terms:
- First, To choose three trustees for said fund as follows: one for one year, one for two years, one for three years and thereafter one annually for the term of three years Said trustees shall be voters of the town and residents of Precinct 3, as it is at present constituted
- Second, The town treasurer shall hold said fund, and shall invest the same in accordance with instructions from said trustees. He shall also pay out of said fund such moneys as said trustees shall order and none other Such fund shall be secured by the bond of said treasurer.
- Third, Said fund and any accumulations shall be kept invested in one or more savings banks of the Commonwealth, should suitable banks be found wanting, then said fund and accumulations shall be invested in such securities as the savings banks of the

Commonwealth are, by law, authorized to invest their funds. Said trustees shall have the authority of determining what savings banks or other securities said funds may be invested in, but the same shall not be inconsistent with this paragraph.

Fourth, Said trustees shall have authority of making awards out of said funds to any person who may be injured while engaged in fighting fires or otherwise in the performance of his duties, however, that no award shall be made for anything but a personal injury and provided that no award shall be made to any person other than a duly appointed or authorized fireman or engineer belonging or attached to the West Acton company, so called, or such company of fireman having special charge over fires in Precinct 3 in said town as said precinct is at present constituted, but said award may be made for such injury sustained by such fireman anywhere within the limits of the town of Acton, while in the lawful performance of his duties as such fireman.

Fifth, Said fund shall be known as the West Acton Fireman's Relief Fund and said trustees are authorized to receive additional funds from any source and when so received shall be administered in the same manner as the original fund.

Sixth, Said trustees shall make a report in writing annually to the town and such report shall be published in the town report.

Art 19 Voted to refer the matter of a roll of honor to the Welcome Home committee.

Art 20 Voted, To pass over the article.

Art 21 Voted, To appropriate the sum of four hundred (400) for cutting brush, the money to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Art 22 Voted, To refer the matter to the Selectmen with power to act, Voted, To appropriate one thousand (1000.) dollars to carry out the provisions of this article provided a satisfactory guarantee from Mr Tenney is obtained.

Art 23 Voted, To leave the matter to the selectmen to investigate and report at some future meeting.

Art 24 Voted, To refer the matter to the selectmen.

Art 25 Voted, That the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be authorized to borrow a sum of money not exceeding thirty thousand (30,000) dollars to be applied to the cost of rebuilding or repairing the Powder Mill road and the road from Maynard line to the intersection of the Lowell road with the state highway from Concord to Littleton, and to issue notes therefor, said notes to be payable in five years, provided the state and county will appropriate equal amounts for this purpose, thirty three (33) voted yes. nine voted, no.

Voted to adjourn without date.

A true record attest

Arthur F Davis Asst Town Clerk.

# Warrant for the Special Meeting April 12, 1920

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex S.S. To either of the Constables in the  
town of Acton in the County aforesaid, Greeting.  
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
you are directed to notify the legal voters of the town  
of Acton to meet in the Town hall on Monday  
April 12, 1920 at 7.30 o'clock in the evening then  
and there to act on the following articles to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting
- Art. 2. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of  
money for the payment of snow bills or act anything  
thereon
- Art. 3. To see if the town will appropriate and  
donate a sum of money to the Concord, Maynard  
and Hudson Street railway or act anything thereon
- Art. 4. To see what action the town will take towards  
rebuilding the Powder Mill road

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting  
attested copies at each and all of the places as directed  
by vote of the town seven days at least before the  
time of said meeting. Hereof fail not and make  
due return of this warrant with your doings thereon  
to the town clerk or the selectmen on or before the  
time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Acton this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1920

Charles J. Holton

William H. Kingsley

Warren H. Jones. Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have this day posted  
attested copies of this warrant as directed

John T. McNeill  
Acton April 3, 1920 Constable

# Proceedings of the Special Meeting April 12, 1920.

- Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.
- Art. 2. Voted, to appropriate the sum of twenty two  
hundred (2200) dollars.
- Art. 3. Voted, to appropriate and donate to said company  
a sum equal to the taxes due the town from said  
company for the year 1918

- Art. 4. Voted, to pass over the article

Voted to adjourn

A true record, Attest.

Horace F. Tuttle. Town Clerk.

# Warrant for a Primary Election

April 27, 1920

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex. S.S. To either of the Constables of the  
town of Acton, Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby  
required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said  
town who are qualified to vote in primaries to meet  
in their several voting places in said town, to wit  
Precinct One, Town Hall, Precinct two, Universalist  
Church South Acton, Precinct Three, Fire house  
West Acton, Tuesday the twenty seventh day of April  
1920, at 6.00 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes  
To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the  
election of candidates of political parties for the  
following offices

Four delegates at large to the National Convention of the  
Republican party

Four alternate delegates at large to the National  
Convention of the Republican party

Four delegates at large to the National Convention of the  
Democratic party

Four alternate delegates at large to the National  
Convention of the Democratic party

Two district delegates to the National Convention of the  
Republican party, Fifth congressional district

Two alternate district delegates to the National Convention  
of the Republican party, Fifth congressional district

Two district delegates to the National Convention of the  
Democratic party, Fifth congressional district

Two alternate district delegates to the National Convention  
of the Democratic party, Fifth congressional district

The polls will be open from 6. to 10.00 o'clock P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting,  
attested copies thereof seven days at least before the  
time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town  
Hereof fail not to make return of this warrant  
with your doings thereon at the time and place of

said meeting

Given under our hands this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1920

Charles J. Bolton

Warren H. Jones, Selectman of Acton

This is to certify that I have this day posted attested  
copies of this warrant as directed  
Apr. 17, 1920. John T. McNeill Constable

## Record of the Primary Election

April 27, 1920.

All legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton  
held in accordance with the foregoing warrant  
all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and  
declaration thereof made as by law directed  
and the following is a true record of the names of  
all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person  
and the title of the office for which he was proposed

Prec. 1. Prec. 2. Prec. 3 Total

Republican party  
Delegates at large.

Group.

Henry Cabot Lodge	twenty eight	seven	forty one	85
Fredrick C. Gilette	nineteen	twelve	thirty six	67
W. Murray Crane	twenty six	fifteen	thirty six	77
Edward A. Thurston	nineteen	twelve	thirty four	65

Not grouped

Louis A. Frothingham	twelve	eight	seven	27
Alvan T. Fuller	seven	four	four	15
Thomas W. Lawson	four	two	two	8
Samuel W. McCall	eleven	nine	twelve	32
Russell A. Wood	three	two	none	5

Alternate Delegates at large  
Group

Butler Ames	twenty seven	fifteen	thirty seven	79
Chandler Bullock	twenty six	fifteen	thirty four	75
Gordon W. Gordon	twenty five	fifteen	thirty three	73
Butler R. Wilson	twenty five	seventeen	thirty three	74

	Prec 1.	Prec 2.	Prec 3	Total
District Delegates Fifth District				
Frank E Dunbar	twentythree	ten	twenty	53.
Gardner W Pearson	twentyone	eight	twentyone	50.
Not grouped.				
Louis Pfeiffer	seven	nine	eight	24

Alternate District Delegates Fifth District				
Kimball G Colby	twentytwo	ten	thirteen	45
Wilford D Gray	fifteen	ten	fourteen	39
Not grouped.				
Louis Ellenwood	nine	seven	four	20

Democratic Party				
Delegates at large.				
group				
David J Walsh	one	one	four	6
Richard H. Long	one	one	four	6
Joseph C. Lelietier	one	one	four	6
Daniel F. Doherty	one	one	four	6
Not grouped.				
Joseph F. Connell	none	none	none	0.

Alternate Delegates at large.				
Susan W Fitzgerald	none	one	two	3
Mary A Carson	none	one	two	3
Mary Keegan Shuman	none	one	two	3
Helena J. Thayer	none	one	two	3
District Delegates Fifth District				
Hamphrey O Sullivan	none	one	four	5
Joseph P. Donahoe	none	one	four	5

Alternate District Delegates Fifth District				
Katherine F. McCarthy	none	one	two	3
Anna Loretta McGowan	none	one	two	3

A true record. Attest  
 Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

# Warrant for the State Primary Sept. 7 1920

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
 Middlesex S.S. To either of the Constables of the  
 Town of Acton, Greeting. In the name of the Commonwealth  
 you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants  
 of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to  
 meet in their respective voting places in said town, to wit;  
 Precinct 1, Town Hall, Precinct 2, Universalist Church/  
 South Acton, Precinct 3, Fire House West Acton  
 Thursday the seventh day of September, 1920  
 at 6.30 o'clock P. M. for the following purposes;  
 To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the  
 Nomination of Candidates of political parties for the  
 following offices;  
 Governor for this Commonwealth  
 Lieutenant Governor for this Commonwealth  
 Secretary of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth  
 Treasurer and Receiver General for this Commonwealth  
 Auditor of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth  
 Attorney General for this Commonwealth  
 Congressman for the 5th Congressional District  
 Councillor for 6th Councillor District  
 Senator for 7th Senatorial District  
 One Representative in General Court for 11th Representative  
 District, County Commissioners for Middlesex County,  
 Sheriff for Middlesex County  
 And for the election of the following officers;  
 District member of state committee for each political  
 party for the seventh Senatorial district  
 Two members of the Democratic town committee  
 Ten members of the Republican town committee  
 Two delegates to the State Convention of the Democratic  
 party Two delegates to the State Convention of the  
 Republican party the polls will be open from 6.30  
 to 8.30 P. M. And you are directed to serve this  
 warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven  
 days at least before the time of said meeting as

directed by vote of the town Council not and  
make due return of this warrant with your doing  
thereon at the time and place of said meeting  
Given under our hands this fifth day of August  
A.D. 1920. Charles J. Holton

Warren H. Jones, Selectman of Acton  
William H. Kingsley,

This is to certify that I have this day fastened  
attested copies of this warrant as directed  
August 28, 1920. John T. M. Niff Constable

### Record of the State Primary Sept. 7, 1920.

At legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Acton  
held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the  
ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration  
thereof made as by law directed and the following is  
a true record of the names of all persons voted for  
the number of votes for each person and the title of the  
office for which he was proposed

#### Candidates of the Republican Party

Governor	Vic 1	Vic 2	Vic 3	Total
Channing H. Cox	Fifty three	Fifty nine	ninety two	204

#### Lieut Governor

Charles L. Burrill	nineteen	twenty four	thirty five	78
Alban T. Fuller	fourteen	seventeen	seventeen	47
Albert P. Langtry	fourteen	five	seventeen	36
Joseph E. Warner	eight	seventeen	thirty one	56

#### Secretary

James W. Bean	twelve	thirteen	nineteen	44
Frederick W. Cook	eighteen	twenty seven	thirty six	81
Samuel W. George	nine	seven	twelve	28
James G. Harris	five	four	eight	17
Russell A. Wood	nine	eight	eighteen	35

#### Treasurer

James Jackson	forty eight	fifty six	ninety one	195
Harry Birn	none	three	none	3
Fred J. Burrill	four	one	six	11

#### Auditor

Walter C. Bulb	twenty two	thirteen	twenty four	59
Alonzo B. Cook	twenty nine	forty nine	seventy two	150

#### Attorney General

J. Weston Allen	fifty	sixty four	ninety six	210
James Jackson	one	none	none	1

#### Congressman

John Jacob Rogers	forty six	fifty four	seventy six	176
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#### Councillor

Smith J. Adams	one	seven	thirteen	21
Edward W. Berry	four	six	five	15
Edward B. Earnes	five	six	thirteen	24
Fred O. Lewis	one	four	six	11
Charles Sumner Smith	forty one	forty	fifty four	135

#### Senator

Maurice A. Burt	twenty four	eleven	twenty one	56
Gardner W. Pearson	thirty two	fifty three	sixty six	151

#### Representative in General Court

Alfred W. Hartford	forty five	sixty two	eighty six	193
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#### County Commissioners

Arthur W. Colburn	thirteen	sixteen	twenty five	54
Alfred L. Cutting	forty	forty three	sixty seven	150
George A. Goodwin	nine	seven	twelve	32
Walter C. Wardwell	thirty seven	thirty two	fifty three	122

#### Sheriff

John R. Trubaine	fifty six	fifty seven	ninety	203
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#### State Committee

Charles W. Clark	forty one	fifty one	sixty five	157
Lois Ellenwood	five	six	eighteen	29

	Prest. 1.	Prest. 2.	Prest. 3.	Total
<i>Delegates to State Convention</i>				
Benjamin J. Ineson	forty three	fifty five	eighty three	
Albert R. Beach	thirty nine	fifty	eighty six	
Louisa M. Dudley	thirty nine	fifty six	eighty four	
<i>Town Committee</i>				
Horace F. Tuttle	forty five	sixty	ninety	
Frank R. Knowlton	forty three	fifty nine	eighty nine	
Charles H. Mead	forty four	sixty	eighty eight	
David C. Harris	forty three	fifty eight	eighty five	
Frank W. Hoyt	forty four	fifty nine	eighty seven	
Benjamin J. Ineson	forty three	fifty six	eighty seven	
Ralph L. Hastings	forty three	fifty seven	eighty eight	
Charles J. Bolton	forty two	sixty two	eighty nine	
Albert P. Durkee	forty five	fifty nine	eighty nine	
James A. Grimes	four	one	twenty six	
James B. Tuttle	one			
Charlotte Conant		one		
Ernie Hall		one		
Harry Brown		two		
<i>Candidates of the Democratic Party</i>				
<i>Governor</i>				
Richard H. Long	two	one	two	5
John J. Walsh	two	none	five	7
<i>Lieut Governor</i>				
Michael O. Leary	three	none	five	8
<i>Secretary</i>				
Charles H. McGlue	three	none	six	9
<i>Treasurer</i>				
Patrik O. Kearn	two	none	seven	9
James Jackson	one	none	none	1
<i>Auditor</i>				

	Prest. 1.	Prest. 2.	Prest. 3.	Total
<i>Auditor</i>				
Alice E. Gram	three	none	six	9
<i>Attorney General</i>				
Michael L. Sullivan	two	none	six	8
<i>Congressman</i>				
Bernard J. Golden	two	none	five	7
<i>Councilor</i>				
None.				
<i>Senator</i>				
Charles H. Burns	two	none	six	8
<i>Representative in General Court</i>				
None.				
<i>County Commissioners</i>				
None.				
<i>Sheriff</i>				
None.				
<i>State Committee</i>				
None.				
<i>Delegate to State Convention</i>				
James Kinsley	none	none	one	1
D. R. Kinsley	none	none	one	1
<i>Town Committee</i>				
D. R. Kinsley	none	none	two	2
Charles Hart	none	none	one	1
Gay Littlefield	none	none	two	2
E. T. Swift	none	none	two	2
J. F. Coaglier	none	none	two	2
<i>A true record. Attest</i>				
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk				

# Warrant for the State Election November 2<sup>d</sup> 1920.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex s.s. To either of the constables of the town of Acton in the County aforesaid, Greeting:  
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required and directed to notify and swear the inhabitants of said Acton who are qualified to vote in elections therein to meet in their several polling places in their respective precincts, to wit Precinct 1. Town Hall Precinct, 2. Universalist Church South Acton, Precinct, 3. Fire House West Acton on Thursday the second day of November 1920 at 6.30 o'clock in the forenoon then and there to bring in to the precinct officers of their respective precincts their votes on one ballot for Presidential Electors, Governor, Lieut Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, and Attorney General all for the Commonwealth, Congressman for Fifth Congressional District, Councilman for Sixth Councilman District, Senator for Seventh Senatorial District, Representative in General Court for the Eleventh Representative District, County Commissioners for Middlesex County, Sheriff for Middlesex County. Also to vote Yes or No on the following question, Shall an act entitled, An act to regulate the sale and manufacture of beer, cider, and light wines, and in which it is provided that all beverages containing not less than one half of one percent and not more than two and three fourths per cent of alcohol by weight at sixty degrees Fahrenheit shall be deemed not to be intoxicating liquors which act passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 121 in favor and 67 against and passed the Senate by a vote of 26 in favor and 6 against and was thereafter vetoed by His Excellency the Governor and failed of passage in the Senate over the said veto by a vote of 14 in favor and 22 against, be approved the polls will be open at 6.30 o'clock in the morning

and may be closed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at each and all the several precincts, And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the places so directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meetings. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen or Town Clerk as soon as may be, Given under our hands at Acton this nineteenth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty

Charles J. Collier

Warren H. Jones Selectmen of  
William C. Kingsley Acton

This is to certify that I have posted this day, attested copies of this warrant as directed  
Oct. 23, 1920 John T. McViff Constable

# Record of the State Election

November 2, 1920

All legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declarations thereof made as by law directed, and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Party designations, D. Democratic, S. L. Socialist Labor, I. Socialist, R. Republican.

## Elders of President and Vice President

### Cop and Roosevelt Democratic

At large Marcus A. Coolidge	8	Charles W. Eliot
" " Rose D. Forbes	9	Thomas J. Dwyer
1 Ellen M. Boland	10	Mary F. Sullivan
2 Mary E. Woolley	11	William Gaston
3 Joseph E. Tenne	12	Mary Madelon Jackson
4 Arthur Gordon Webster	13	Dorothy Whipple Fry
5 Charles Francis Adams	14	Eugenia B. Frothingham
6 Anna T. Dodge	15	Harold E. Sweet
7 Abbie May Roland	16	Kenneth Ashley

precinct 1 precinct 2 precinct 3 Total  
twenty four thirty three thirty one 88

### Cop and Gilthaus Socialist Labor

At large Peter E. Rourke	8	John W. Hicken
" " Paul Schepis	9	Leon Greensman
1 Henry Stoffke	10	Felix Manowitz
2 Oscar Kinsalas	11	George Nelson
3 Herman Koeppke	12	Henry C. Hess
4 Joseph Jiskra	13	Walter J. Hoar
5 John MacKinnon	14	Patrick H. Loftis
6 Jeremiah P. McNally	15	Albert Barnes
7 Fred E. Oleson	16	James W. Holden

precinct 1 precinct 2 precinct 3 Total  
none none none 0

## Debs. and Hedman Socialist

At large John J. McElthick	8	George E. Rucker Jr.
" " Thomas H. Finn	9	Henry Erskine
1 Don McGahan	10	Joseph M. Minorsky
2 Walter F. Skahan	11	Louis Marcus
3 Charles E. Tenner	12	Samuel P. Levenberg
4 Adolph Warkhula	13	Samuel Zorn
5 Ephraim J. McBride	14	St. Albion Jeppson
6 Parkman B. Standers	15	Morris Rosen
7 Joseph Wallis	16	Wilbur M. Astors

precinct 1 precinct 2 precinct 3 Total  
none two none 2

## Harding and Coolidge Republicans

At large Charles Sumner Bird	8	William H. Lewis
" " Elizabeth Cultrane	9	J. Edward I. McLean
1 Frank H. Melanby	10	Emma Romano
2 Henry P. Field	11	Charlotte H. J. Guild
3 Arthur H. Lowe	12	Albert H. Curtis
4 Chandler Bullock	13	Ernest B. Dane
5 Alfred C. Gaunt	14	Harold C. Keith
6 Edwin Thomson	15	Joseph W. Martin Jr.
7 Marion Cowan Burrows	16	Albert H. Washburn

precinct 1 precinct 2 precinct 3 Total  
one hundred two hundred two hundred  
seventy nine thirty eight eighty seven 704

Whole number of ballots cast 207 278 324 809

### Governor

Channing H. Cox R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	eighty one thirty one eighty one	693
Walter S. Hutchins S.	none	three one	4
Patrick Mulligan S. L.	none	none none	0
John J. Walsh D.	eighteen twenty two twenty nine		69
Blanks	8	22 13	43

### Lieut. Governor

Marcus A. Coolidge D.	nineteen thirty thirty six		85
David Craig S. L.	none	none none	1
Alvan T. Fuller R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	thirty two	534
Thomas Nicholson S.	none	two one	3
Robert M. Washburn Ind.	forty three twenty nine fifty eight		130
Blanks	13	17 27	57

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
<b>Secretary</b>				
Frederic W. Cook, R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	seventy one twenty eight seventy four	673	
Edward E. Fensburg, D.	sixteen twenty four twenty four		64	
Anthony Boutenbrink, S.L.	none none none		0	
Edith M. Williams, S.	one three one		5	
Blanks.	19	23	25	67
<b>Treasurer,</b>				
George H. Jackson, C.	three two four		9	
James Jackson, R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	seventy five twenty nine twenty one	675	
Louis Marcus, S.	none two one		3	
Patrick O'Hearn, D.	fifteen twenty three twenty five		63	
Albert L. Waterman, S.L.	none none none		0	
Blanks.	14	22	23	59
<b>Auditor</b>				
Alonso B. Cook, R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	seventy six twenty four seventy seven	657	
Alvin E. Evans, D.	twenty two twenty two twenty seven		71	
Stephen J. Surridge, S.L.	none one none		1	
Herbert H. Thompson.	none three one		4	
Blanks.	19	28	29	76
<b>Attorney General</b>				
J. Weston Allen, R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	seventy six twenty three sixty six	665	
Morris J. Becker, S.L.	none none none		0	
John Wearer Sherman, S.	none three one		4	
Michael L. Sullivan, D.	fifteen twenty three twenty six		65	
Blanks.	15	29	31	75
<b>Congressman, Fifth District</b>				
Jackson, Palmer, D.	twenty one twenty six twenty nine		76	
John Jacob Rogers, R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	seventy nine twenty four seventy	673	
Blanks.	7	28	25	60
<b>Councillor, Sixth District</b>				
Charles Sumner Smith, R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	seventy seven seventy nine fifty three	659	
Blanks.	30	47	71	150
<b>Senator, Seventh Middlesex District</b>				
Charles H. Burns, D.	twenty two twenty eight twenty nine		79	
Gardner W. Pearson, R.	one hundred two hundred two hundred	seventy two twenty three sixty eight	663	
Blanks.	13	27	27	67

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total				
Representative in General Court, 11th Middlesex District								
Alfred W. Hartford R.	one hundred twenty seven	two hundred thirty one	two hundred sixty four	672				
Blanks	30	47	60	137				
County Commissioners								
Alfred L. Cutting R.	one hundred sixty six	two hundred twenty four	two hundred thirty five	628				
Walter C. Wardwell R.	one hundred thirty six	one hundred eighty	one hundred eighty eight	504				
Blanks	112	159	215	486				
Sheriff								
John R. Fairbairn R.	one hundred forty eight	two hundred twelve	two hundred twenty	580				
Blanks	59	66	104	229				
Shall an act entitled: An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of Beer, Cider and Light Wines be approved?								
	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total				
Yes.	forty nine	one hundred six	nineteen	245				
No.	one hundred twenty	one hundred sixty	one hundred eighty eight	475				
Blanks	38	55	46	139				
A true record, attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk								
Vote for Representative 11th Middlesex District								
	Acton	Beverly	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Tyngsboro	Westford	Total
Alfred W. Hartford of Westford.	672	382	143	399	373	293	535	3777
Charles O. Prescott.							1	1
Alec Fisher							1	1
Blanks.	137	122	30	464	75	34	156	1018
	809	504	173	1863	448	327	693	4517
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk of Acton								
Abbott R. Hobbie	"	"	"	Beverly				
William Foss Jr.	"	"	"	Carlisle				
Edward J. Robbins	"	"	"	Chelmsford				
Eliot M. Young	"	"	"	Littleton				
Charles F. Littlehale	"	"	"	Tyngsboro				
Charles L. Hildreth	"	"	"	Westford				

# Warrant for the Annual Meeting

March 7, 1921

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex. S.S. To either of the Constables of the town of Acton, in the county aforesaid; Greeting:-

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton who are qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the town hall, in said town on Monday the seventh day of March, 1921, at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To Choose a moderator to preside at said meeting
- Art. 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following named town officers: One town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, three overseers of the poor for one year, one town treasurer for one year, five members of the finance committee for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, one tree warden for one year, four constables for one year, four field drivers for one year, one assessor for three years, one trustee for Memorial library, two members of the school committee for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one member of the board of health for three years. And also the following question; "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non intoxicating beverages as defined in Section 1. of Chap. 138, this year" The polls will be opened at 9.30 a.m. and may be closed at 4. p.m.
- Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers not named in Article 2, and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.
- Art. 5. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported

- Art. 6. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day
- Art. 8. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes
- Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department or vote anything thereon.
- Art. 10. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price for same
- Art. 11. To see what action the town will take towards the suppression of the elm tree beetle, the brown tail and gypsy moth
- Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1921, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town or act anything thereon
- Art. 14. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of premiums on treasurers and collectors bonds or act anything thereon
- Art. 15. To see what action the town will take relative to Chap. 240, Acts of 1920, viz: An act to permit under public regulation and control certain sports and games on the Lord's day.
- Art. 16. To see what action the town will take, if any, towards disposing of their interest in the Benjamin Badgood property
- Art. 17. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairing or rebuilding the Powder Mill bridge so called, or act anything thereon.

- Art. 18 To see if the town will instruct the assessors to abate the 1919 taxes of the Concord, Maynard, and Hudson Street R.R. or take any action thereon
- Art. 19 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty (150) dollars as requested by the State forester, the same to be expended in the erection of a fire observatory on Oak Hill, in the town of Harvard, or act anything thereon
- Art. 20 To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars more or less to repair the road known as Windsor avenue in West Acton, beginning at its intersection with Massachusetts avenue to beyond the residence of Webster S. Blanchard or act anything thereon
- Art. 21 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 or some other amount to elect a director for demonstration work in agriculture and home economics, the money to be expended by and the director to serve in cooperation with the County trustee for aid to agriculture of the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics, under the provisions of Chapter 273 General Acts of 1918, it being understood that one hundred dollars of this amount shall be used to provide local paid supervision of boys' and girls' club work
- Art. 22 To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to repair the existing or instal a new heating apparatus in the Memorial library
- Art. 23 To see if the town will increase the rate of interest allowed on money deposited with the town for the perpetual care of cemetery lots
- Art. 24 To see if the town will vote to repair Prospect Street in South Acton or act anything thereon
- Art. 25 To see if the town will vote to rebuild the road from the Maynard town line to Wheeler's corner this year or act anything thereon
- Art. 26 To see if the town will vote to engage and retain an attorney to serve the town in a legal advisory

- capacity, and appropriate money therefor
- Art. 27 To see if the town will vote to accept the Sidewalk act or act anything thereon
- Art. 28 To see if the town will take any action towards accepting and enforcing a set of by laws now in possession of the selectmen or act anything thereon
- Art. 29 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for clearing paths of snow
- Art. 30 To see if the town will vote to extend the street lighting to the Maynard line on Maynard street, not to exceed six lights and appropriate money therefor
- Art. 31 To see if the town will vote to instal one or more additional lights on High Street, South Acton and appropriate money therefor
- Art. 32 To see if the town will vote to instal one street light on Martin Street South Acton and appropriate money therefor
- Art. 33 To see if the town will purchase scales for each school in town that the weight of the pupils may be registered from time to time
- Art. 34 To see if the town will purchase additional fire hose for South Acton
- Art. 35 To see if the town will extend the lighting system from Mr Luther Conants to the residence of Mr George S. Tucker on Lowell road
- Art. 36 To see if the town will extend its street lighting system from the end near the residence of F. R. Knowlton in West Acton as far and to Kelley's corner
- Art. 37 To see if the town will vote to instal one street light on Windsor avenue in West Acton near the residence of Mr. Thomas E. Ruggles
- Art. 38 To see if the town will vote to instal a suitable number of street lights on Arlington Street in West Acton between the crossing at Massachusetts avenue and the residence of Mr Samuel Carlisle
- Art. 39 To see if the town will vote to maintain sufficient electric lighting as far as the Tuttle place on Estabrook Road East Acton and instruct the selectmen to have same installed

- Art. 40 To see if the town will request the selectmen to place and maintain a street light at "Kellip Corner" so called.
- Art. 41 To see what action the town will take in regards to the suppression of the liquor traffic in this State.
- Art. 42 To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chap. 155 of the General Acts of 1918 relative to the repair of town roads or act anything thereon.
- Art. 43 To see what action the town will take towards erecting a high school building.
- Art. 44 To see if the town will vote to appoint trustees of the funds of the West Acton fire department or act anything thereon.
- Art. 45 To see if the town will vote to repair the road from the church in Acton Center to the State road in East Acton ( Cemetery road ) and appropriate money therefor.
- Art. 46 To see if the town will vote to repair School Street in West Acton or act anything thereon.
- Art. 47 To see if the town will vote to establish a permanent marker for the World war veterans or take any action thereon.
- Art. 48 To see if the town will vote to extend the the electric lights on Main Street, Acton Center, westwards from the residence of Frank Parsons, installing two (2) lights thus accommodating the families of George Dussault and Albert W. Doolittle and others,  
<sup>hereby</sup> And you are commanded to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the places as directed by the vote of the town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or the selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting, Given under our hands at Acton this nineteenth day of February 1921, Charles J. Colton, Warren H. Jones.
- Feb 26, 1921 William H. Kingsley, Selectmen of Acton  
 This is to certify that I have this day posted certified copies of this warrant as directed John T. McKiff Constable.  
 A true record attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

## Proceedings of the Annual Meeting March 7, 1921.

The meeting was called to order at nine o'clock, a.m. by the town clerk.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the warrant in full, Arthur F. Davis and Clarence D. Gram were sworn as tellers.

- Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator by ballot. Charles E. Smith was sworn as an election officer by the moderator, Frank Merriam was appointed and sworn as an election officer by the moderator.

The polls for the election of town officers were opened at 7.15 o'clock, A.M.

- Art. 2. The following is the vote for town officers

Town Clerk for one year sworn by the moderator 3/7/21  
 Horace F. Tuttle 370 votes

Selectman for three years  
 Alfred W. Davis 269 votes sworn by Arthur M. Whitcomb, J.P.  
 Charles J. Colton 151 "

Assessor for three years.  
 Henry L. Haynes 377 votes sworn by Town Clerk 3/10/21

Overseers of the Poor for one year  
 William H. Kingsley 343 votes oath taken before Town Clerk 3/10/21

Warren H. Jones 340 " oath taken before F. W. Root Jr.  
 Alfred W. Davis 339 " oath taken before A. M. Whitcomb, J.P. 3/8/21

Charles J. Colton 6 "

Treasurer for one year.  
 Frank W. Hoyt 399 votes oath before Town Clerk 3/10/21

Collector of Taxes for one year.  
 Henry L. Haynes 362 votes oath before Town Clerk 3/10/21

Constables for one year  
 John T. McKiff 381 votes oath before A. M. Whitcomb, J.P. 3/12/21

Oliver D. Wood 364 " oath before Town Clerk 3/8/21

Charles T. Baxter 359 " oath before Town Clerk 3/8/21

L. Edward Laird 341 "  
 Carl Jones 1 "

## School Committee for three years

Irma M. Durkee 168 votes  
 Alice M. Carlisle 262 " oath before B. E. Hall N.P. 3/14/21  
 William T. Merriam 341 "  
 Charles Edney 1 "

## Cemetery Commissioner for three years

James B. Tuttle 368 votes declined to take the office  
 Charles Edney 1 vote  
 Gertrude L. Daniels 1 "

## Member of Board of Health for three years

Frank E. Tasker 356 votes sworn by Town Clerk 3/10/21

## Trustee of Memorial Library for three years

Lucius A. Cresselton 366 votes

## Tree Warden

James O. Nail 361 votes oath before Town Clerk 3/11/21

## Finance Committee

James B. Tuttle 352 votes  
 Frank W. Hoyt 358 "  
 Edgar H. Hall 352 "  
 Eph M. Merriam 339 "  
 Horace F. Tuttle 354 "

On the question, Shall licenses be granted for the sale of <sup>soft</sup> non-intoxicating beverages in this town  
 (112) one hundred and twelve voted yes.  
 (243) two hundred and forty three voted, No.

Total number of ballots cast. 434.

Art. 3. Chose J. Warren Flagg, trustee of the Goodnow Fund for three years.

Voted, to fix the salary of the tax collector at one per cent of the amount collected the same to cover all charges and expenses relative to the office

Voted, To fix the salary of the chairman of the selectmen at one hundred dollars per annum and the other members fifty dollars each.

Voted, That the salary of the treasurer be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted, That the salary of the chairman of the assessors be one hundred and twenty five dollars per annum, the clerk one hundred dollars and the other member seventy five dollars

Voted, That the moderator be paid ten dollars per day or meeting for his services

Voted, That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salary of all other town officers.

Art. 4. Voted, To accept the reports of the several town officers

Art. 5. Mr. James B. Tuttle presented a report for the Watome Home Committee which was considered in connection with Art. 47.

Art. 6 Voted, That when this meeting shall take up for consideration any article in this present warrant relating to the repair of any road or bridge it shall also take up for joint consideration therewith every other article in said warrant relating to the repair of any road or bridge, that is to say that articles numbered 17, 20, 24, 25, 45 and 46 shall be considered together

Voted, That when this meeting shall take up for consideration any article in the present warrant relating to the extension of the present electric lighting system it shall also take up for joint consideration therewith every other article in said warrant relating to any extension of said lighting system that is to say that articles numbered 30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 48 shall all be considered together

Voted, to appropriate for

Roads general repairs	1 0000.00
Roads, special work under articles in the warrant.	6 0000.00
Roads. removing snow	200.00
Roads. payment of loan acct Powder Mill road.	1 0000.00
Bridges. general repairs	500.00
Schools	3 7475.00
Memorial Library current expenses	700.00
" " books.	200.00
Hydrant Service	2784.00

Art. 6.  
Continued

Street lighting general	3675.00
Street lighting extensions	500.00
Wash work	965.67
Salaries of town officers	2200.00
Buildings and grounds	300.00
Police department	200.00
Board of Health	500.00
Care of the Poor income of fund	—
Cemeteries	800.00
Unclassified	700.00
Printing	300.00
Reserve fund	1500.00
Military aid	100.00
Fire department maintenance	500.00
Fire department new hose	600.00
Memorial Day	150.00
Enforcement of the liquor laws	830.00
Insurance of employees	350.00
Premium on Treasurers and Collectors bonds	150.00
Elm leaf beetle	200.00
Forest fires	200.00
Cutting brush	400.00
Demonstration work in agriculture	200.00
Sidewalks removal of snow	200.00
Benjamin Hapgood real estate purchase of	3000.00
Fire observatory on Oak hill	150.00
Memorial Library heating plant	500.00
Scales purchase of for schools	100.00
Voted, to raise by taxation for town charges	55000.00
Voted, to raise for wash work	965.67

Art. 7. Voted, to appropriate one hundred and fifty,  
150, dollars.

Art. 8. Voted, That all taxes shall be payable not later than  
Oct. 15, 1921 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after  
Nov. 1, 1921 interest shall be charged at the rate of  
six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1921 until such

Taxes are paid

Art. 9 Voted, to appropriate five hundred dollars for general  
maintenance and six hundred dollars for new hose.

Art. 10 Voted, that the amount to be paid be fixed by the  
forest warden subject to the approval of the selectmen.

Art. 11 Voted, to appropriate two hundred dollars for the control  
of the elm leaf beetle to be expended at the discretion  
of the selectmen.

Voted, to raise and appropriate for wash work the sum  
required by the state law; \$965.67.

Art. 12 Voted, that the town treasurer with the approval of the  
selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money  
from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of  
the financial year beginning January 1, 1921, and to  
issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year.  
Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid  
from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 13 Voted, To appropriate three hundred and fifty dollars.

Art. 14 Voted, To appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars.

Art. 15. On the question of the acceptance of the act  
one hundred and forty four voted. Yes  
two hundred and three voted. No.

Art. 16 Voted, to authorize the selectmen to sell and convey to  
Lula Hapgood for the sum of three thousand dollars  
all the rights and interest which the town acquired in  
certain real estate under the will of Benjamin Hapgood  
late of Acton, deceased.

Voted, to authorize the selectmen to purchase for the  
sum of three thousand dollars the life estate or  
interest of Lula Hapgood in the real estate devised  
by will to the town.

Voted, to appropriate three thousand dollars to purchase  
said estate provided the selectmen decide to do so.  
Voted, that the selectmen be authorized to sell at  
public sale the Benjamin Hapgood farm provided

they first acquire for the town a complete title to the same and provided they can legally do so

Voted, that the standing timber be sold separate from the land.

Voted, that the proceeds of any sale be added to the fund for the care of the poor.

- Art. 17. In accordance with a previous vote, articles 20, 24, 25, 42, 45 and 46 were taken up for consideration  
 Voted, to choose a committee of six, two from each precinct, to determine where such money as the town may appropriate under articles 20, 24, 45 and 46, shall be expended. The following were chosen the committee  
 J. Sidney White Anson C. Peper Alfred W. Davis  
 Albert F. Durkee, George E. Greenough, Waldo E. Whitcomb  
 Voted that the following persons be added to the committee  
 W. Stuart Allen, Charles Edney, Albert H. Perkins  
 Voted, To appropriate six thousand dollars for special work and repairs on the roads described in articles 20, 45, 24 and 46

Voted to refer the matter of rebuilding the Powder Mill bridge to the selectmen with instructions to employ an expert, to make an estimate of the cost and to report to the town at the next annual meeting or any special meeting previous thereto

- Art. 18. Voted, To pass over the article

- Art. 19. Voted, To appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars.

- Art. 20. See votes recorded under Article 17.

- Art. 21. Voted, to appropriate two hundred dollars.

- Art. 22. Voted, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for installing a new heating apparatus in the Memorial Library to be expended at the discretion of the trustees.

- Art. 23. Voted, that the full amount of income received from funds deposited with the town for the care of cemetery lots be credited to the several funds so deposited

- Art. 24. See votes recorded under Article 17.

- Art. 25. Voted, To pass over the article

- Art. 26. A motion to engage the services of an attorney and appropriate one hundred dollars therefor, did not prevail

- Art. 27. On the question of the acceptance of the act eighty three voted Yes, one hundred twenty five voted No.

- Art. 28. Voted, that the committee appointed at the special town meeting June 23, 1919 be discharged

Voted, that Irvin H. MacKenzie, L. Edward Laird, Frank Merriam, John E. Case, and Frank B. Lotthrop be a committee to frame a set of by-laws and report at a future meeting.

- Art. 29. Voted, to appropriate two hundred dollars to be expended under the direction of the selectmen

- Art. 30. In accordance with a previous vote, articles 30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 48 were considered together

Voted, that the several articles be referred to the selectmen with power to act.

Voted, that five hundred dollars be appropriated for the extension of street lighting

- Art. 31. See votes under article 30.

- Art. 32. See votes under article 30.

- Art. 33. Voted, to appropriate one hundred dollars to purchase scales.

- Art. 34. Voted, to pass over the article

- Art. 35. See votes under article 30

- Art. 36. See votes under article 30.

- Art. 37. See votes under article 30.

- Art. 38. See votes under article 30.

- Art. 39. See votes under article 30

- Art. 40. See votes under article 30.

- Art. 41. The following resolutions presented by Mrs. Lily C. Case were adopted.

I Resolved, That the town of Acton in town meeting assembled, respectfully urge the legislature of the state to enact laws in harmony with the Volstead act to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment to the

the Constitution of the United States

- II. That a copy of the above resolutions be forwarded by the town clerk to the chairman of the committee on legal affairs and to the Senator and Representative of this district

Voted, to appropriate the unexpended balance of eight hundred and thirty dollars for the enforcement of the liquor laws.

- Art. 42. Voted. Not to accept the provisions of the act.

- Art. 43 Voted, That a committee be appointed by the moderator to consider the matter and report at a special meeting to be called in the near future. The moderator appointed the following persons members of said committee

Precinct 1.	Precinct 2.	Precinct 3
J. Sidney White	Frank W. Hoyt	Reuben E. Hall
Charlotte Conant	Madeline Howe	Albert M. Mead
Horace F. Tuttle	John E. Case	Charles J. Cotton

- Art. 44 The following persons were chosen trustees

Arthur F. Blanchard for one year  
 Clarence D. Cram for two years  
 Edgar H. Hall for three years.

- Art. 45 See votes recorded under Article 17.

- Art. 46 See votes recorded under Article 17

- Art. 47 Mr. James B. Tuttle reported for the Welcome Home Committee, The report recommended that no definite action be taken at this time, that the money in the hands of the committee be invested as a separate fund to be available for a memorial or honor roll at some future time

Voted, to accept the report of the committee  
 Voted, that the matter be referred to the Welcome Home Committee for further consideration with instructions to report at some future meeting

- Art. 48 See votes recorded under article 30.

Voted, to adjourn

A true record. Attest, Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk

## Warrant for the Special Meeting

May 2, 1921

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the town of Acton in the county aforesaid, greeting:  
 In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton who are qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the town hall, in said town, on Monday, the second day of May, 1921 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit

- Art. 1 To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting

- Art. 2 To see what action the town will take relative to Chapter 240, Acts of 1920, viz. an act to permit under public regulation and control certain sports and games on the Lord's Day.

- Art. 3 To see if the town will vote to rebuild the bridge at the Powder Mills and borrow money by issue of notes to pay for the same or act anything thereon

- Art. 4 To see if the town will take any action toward accepting and enforcing a set of by-laws or act anything thereon

- Art. 5 To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 155, of the General Acts of 1918, relative to the repair of town roads or act anything thereon

- Art. 6 To see if the town will <sup>vote to</sup> accept the provisions of Section 421, Chapter 835, Acts of 1913 relative to precinct voting for town officers

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the places as directed by the vote of the town

seven days at least before the time of said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or the selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting. Given under our hands at Acton this eighteenth day of April, 1921

Warren H. Jones Selectmen  
William H. Kingsley of  
Alfred W. Davis Acton

This is to certify that copies of the within warrant attested by me have been posted as directed by said warrant seven days before the time for holding said meeting

Acton April 23, 1921, John T. McNiff, Constable

### Proceedings of the Special Meeting May 2, 1921

The meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock in the evening by the town clerk.

Charles E. Smith, Arthur M. Whitcomb, Ralph Hastings and Ralph W. Piper were appointed and sworn as tellers by the moderator.

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator

Art. 2. Voted; To indefinitely postpone  
One hundred forty one voted, yes.  
Fifty seven voted, No.

Art. 3. Voted, unanimously to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow a sum of money not exceeding eleven thous and dollars to meet the expense of rebuilding the bridge at the Powder Mills and to issue notes therefor payable within five years. Three thous and dollars to be paid in 1922, and the balance in four equal annual payments.

Voted, That the bridge be of cement construction

Voted, That the selectmen be instructed to advertise for bids with authority to reject any or all bids

at their discretion

Art. 4. Voted, that the by-laws, prepared by the committee chosen at the last annual meeting be published under the direction of the selectmen and that the question of their acceptance be acted upon at a future meeting, said meeting to be called at the discretion of the selectmen.

Art. 5. Voted, unanimously to accept the provisions of Chap. 155. of the General Acts of 1918.

Art. 6. Voted, To adopt the provisions of Section 421, Chap. 835. Acts of 1913 relative to precinct voting for town officers

Voted, to adjourn.

A true record, Attest, Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk.

March 10, 1921. William H. Kingsley took the oath as Forest Warden before the town clerk.

March 17, 1921 Alan Frost took the oath as Deputy Forest Warden, and Assistant fire engineer before the town clerk.

May 20, 1921. Albert H. Perkins took the oath as Tree Warden before A. M. Whitcomb J. P.

Oct. 5, 1921. Sven Hagen took the oath as a police officer before the town clerk

Oct. 7, 1921, Maynard W. Barbeau took the oath as a police officer before the town clerk

Dec. 15, 1921 Charles A. Durkee took the oath as inspector of slaughter houses before the town clerk

Dec. 16, 1921 Warren H. Jones took the oath as a police officer before the town clerk.

# Warrant for the Annual Meeting

March 6, 1922.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex. S.S.

To either of the constables in the town of Acton in said County, Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meeting, for the transaction of town affairs, to meet as follows:— Those residing in Precinct One, at the town hall in said Acton at 12 o'clock noon, Those residing in Precinct Two, in the Universalist Church at South Acton at 12 o'clock noon, Those residing in Precinct Three in the fire house at West Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, on Monday the sixth day of March, 1922 by posting a printed copy of this warrant, by you attested at each of the places as directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the said sixth day of March, then and there to act on the following articles:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator

Art. 2 To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One town clerk, for one year; one selectman for three years; three overseers of the poor, for one year; one assessor, for one year; one auditor, for one year; one treasurer, for one year; one collector of taxes, for one year; two for school committee, for three years; one trustee Memorial library, for three years; four constables, for one year; one cemetery commissioner for three years; one cemetery commissioner, for two years; one for board of health for three years; five for finance committee for one year; one tree warden for one year; Also on the same ballot with the above named town officers to vote upon the following question; Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non intoxicating beverages

as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 138 this year?

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon and close at 7 o'clock P. M.

You are further required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, March 13, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, Then and there to act upon the following articles:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator

Art. 2 To choose all necessary town officers and committees

Art. 3 To choose all necessary town officers not named in article 2 and fix salaries of all town officers

Art. 4 To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of the several town officers

Art. 5 To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported

Art. 6 To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town

Art. 7 To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day

Art. 8 To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes

Art. 9 To see what sum of money and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department or vote anything thereon

Art. 10 To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price for same.

Art. 11 To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the elm leaf beetle and brown tail and gypsy moth.

Art. 12 To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1922.

and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

- Act. 13 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town or act anything thereon.
- Act. 14 To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of premiums on treasurers and collectors bonds, or act anything thereon.
- Act. 15 To see if the town will vote to give the use of the town hall and town grounds to the Acton Agricultural association for their meetings and fair for the ensuing year.
- Act. 16 To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars, more or less to repair the road known as the twin farm road from the Litterton line to Acton Center or to act anything thereon.
- Act. 17 To see if the town will vote to have poles erected and whatever necessary electric lights installed on Hoarner street, from the nearest existing points where there are lights to so called Crocker's Corner or to act anything thereon.
- Act. 18 To see if the town will extend its street lighting system from the so called Nash place (Mr. Stokes) on Central avenue, to the intersection of the electric car line and Central avenue at Richardson's Corner, or act anything thereon.
- Act. 19 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for salary and expenses of a town nurse.
- Act. 20 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a flush closet in the Acton Center school.
- Act. 21 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a flush closet in the West school.

- Act. 22 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the establishment of a new drainage system at the South school.
- Act. 23 To see if the town will vote to repair the road leading from Acton Center to East Acton depot and appropriate money therefor as recommended by the committee or act anything thereon.
- Act. 24 To see if the town will vote to change the date of the annual town meeting.
- Act. 25 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other amount and elect a director for demonstration work in agriculture and home economics, the money to be expended by and the director to serve in co-operation with the County Trustees for the aid of agriculture of the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics; under the provisions of Chapter 273, General Acts, 1918 it being understood that \$100 of this amount shall be used to provide local paid supervision of boys and girls club work.
- Act. 26 To see what action the town will take upon the by laws as printed.
- Act. 27 To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to have the town buildings insured or take any action thereon.
- Act. 28 To see if the town will vote to install electric lights on street leading to house of B. J. DeSusa.
- Act. 29 To see if the town will vote to install four street lights on the South Acton road leading from the state road in East Acton to South Acton.
- Act. 30 To see if the town will vote to pay the School Committee for their services.
- Act. 31 To see what action the town will take toward building a high school and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.
- Act. 32 To see what action the town will take toward engaging a town attorney.
- Act. 33 To see what action the town will take toward choosing a superintendent of streets.

- Art. 34 To see what action the town will take in regard to renewing contract for street lights with the American Woollen Company.
- Art. 35 To see what action the town will take in regard to trees injured by ice storm and appropriate money therefor.
- Art. 36 To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to sell the jail at South Acton.
- Art. 37 To see if the town will vote to borrow fourteen thousand (14000) dollars by issuing notes to continue work on Lowell road from Mapland line to State road leading from Concord to Littleton.
- Art. 38 To see if the town will accept the road as laid out by the selectmen from the State road in West Acton to land of George T. and Effie R. Mead.
- Art. 39 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to enforce the liquor laws.

Hereof laid not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twentieth day of February, 1922.

Warren H. Jones.  
William H. Kingsley  
Alfred W. Davis  
Selectmen of Acton

Acton Mass. Feb 24, 1922

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed.

L. Edward Laird  
Constable of Acton

Record of the Town Election March 6, 1922.  
At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton, held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed, and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Whole number of ballots cast.	134	119	182	435
Town Clerk one year.				
Horace F. Tuttle.	123	112	161	396
sworn by J. W. Hoyt Jr. P. March 9, 1922.				
Selectmen three years.				
William H. Kingsley	6	0	3	9
Murray Brown	123	111	154	388
sworn by J. C. March 7, 1922.				
Assessor three years				
Charles F. Hoyt	0	0	1	1
Warren H. Jones.	112	99	130	341
sworn by J. C. March 13, 1922.				
Overseer of the Poor one year				
William H. Kingsley	1	0	0	1
Murray Brown	123	105	149	377
sworn by J. C. March 8, 1922.				
Warren H. Jones.	113	92	133	338
sworn by J. C. March 8, 1922.				
Alfred W. Davis	111	96	150	357
sworn by J. C. March 8, 1922.				
Treasurer one year.				
Frank W. Hoyt	128	106	159	393
sworn by J. C. March 10, 1922.				
Collector of Taxes one year				
Henry L. Haynes	122	107	140	369
sworn by J. C. March 11, 1922.				
Constables one year				
John T. McHaff	124	104	163	391
sworn by J. C. March 13, 1922.				
Olivier D. Wood	123	103	148	374
sworn by J. C. March 7, 1922.				

	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Warren H. Jones.	118.	98	137	353
Charles T. Baxter.	124	98	144	366
School Committee three years				
Mary L. Richardson	125	90	143	358
sworn. Mar. 8, 1922				
Bertram E. Hall.	119	95	140	354
sworn Mar. 13, 1922				
Cemetery Commissioner (vacancy) for two years.				
Lyman Tuttle	122	104	139	365
sworn March 14, 1922				
Cemetery Commissioner for three years.				
Horace F. Tuttle.	122	106	149	377
Board of Health				
George H. Tuttle	118	103	140	361
sworn March 11, 1922				
Trustee of Memorial Library three years				
Horace F. Tuttle	121	103	140	364
Tree Warden one year				
Frank R. Manning	15	38	5	58
James C. Neil	103	51	21	175
Albert H. Perkins	18	28	146	192
sworn Mar. 9, 1922				
Finance Committee				
James B. Tuttle	119	97	134	350
Frank W. Hoyt	122	99	141	362
Edgar H. Hall.	121	99	142	362
Asaph Merriam	121	97	133	351
Horace F. Tuttle	120	101	149	370
Shall licenses be granted for the sale of <sup>new</sup> customary intoxicating beverages in this town? Yes.	44	51	41	136
No.	69	52	106	227
Attest Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk				

# Proceedings of the Annual Meeting March 13, 1922

The meeting was called to order at 7 o'clock  
A. M. by the town clerk.

Voted, to dispense with the reading of the warrant  
in full.

J. Sidney White and Luke H. Tuttle were  
appointed and sworn as tellers by the clerk.

Art. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator

Art. 2. No action taken

Art. 3. Chose Horace F. Tuttle, trustee of the Goodnow  
Fund for three years.

Chose Arthur F. Blanchard, trustee of the Fireman's  
Relief Fund for three years.

Voted, To fix the salary of the tax collector at  
four hundred dollars per annum.

A motion that the same include all charges  
and expenses relative to the office did not prevail.

Voted; That the salary of the <sup>Chairman of the</sup> Selectmen be one hundred  
dollars per annum and the other members fifty dollars  
each per annum.

Voted; That the salary of the treasurer be two hundred  
dollars per annum.

Voted; That the salary of the assessors be as follows;  
the chairman one hundred and twenty five dollars  
per annum, the clerk one hundred dollars and the  
other member seventy five dollars each per annum.

Voted; That the salary of the moderator be ten  
dollars per meeting.

Voted; That the selectmen be instructed to fix the  
salary of all other town officers.

Art. 4. Voted; To accept the reports of the several  
town officers.

Voted; To accept the report of the committee  
on special road work and thank them for their  
services.

Art. 5. Voted; To receive the report of the Welcome Home  
Committee, to which was referred the matter of a memorial  
to those who served in the World War from Acton.  
On motion of the chairman James B. Tuttle, it was voted  
that the town of Acton place a bronze tablet, with  
the names inscribed thereon of all Acton boys who  
responded to the country's call in the World War.  
The tablet to be placed upon the walls of the Acton  
Memorial Library, and that the sum of seven hundred  
dollars be appropriated for this purpose.  
Voted, that said committee carry out this vote.

Voted; To receive the report of the committee on high  
school.

A motion to discharge the committee did not prevail.

Art. 6. Voted; To appropriate for.

Roads and Bridges. general repairs of	\$
and removal of snow	1000.00
Roads. Special work Cemetery road. East Acton.	2200.00
Cutting brush	400.00
Loans and interest	8450.00
Schools	41125.00
School house So. Acton drainage system	1000.00
School houses. Center and West, special improvements	1800.00
Town Nurse	2500.00
Memorial Library. current expenses.	700.00
Memorial Library. purchase of books.	200.00
Hydrant service	2784.00
Fire Department maintenance	500.00
Fire Department new hose So. Acton	2500.00
Forest fires	200.00
Street lighting	3850.00
North work	965.67
Shade trees, general care of	200.00
Trees, special care of Article 35	1000.00
General Government	28000.00

Insurance of employees	400.00
Treasurers and Collectors fees	150.00
Enforcement of the liquor laws.	764.00
Buildings and Grounds	400.00
Cemeteries	800.00
Memorial Day	200.00
Police Department	200.00
Board of health	500.00
Military Aid	100.00
Sidewalks removal of snow	200.00
Demonstration work in agriculture	300.00
Deficiency 1921	7350.00
Memorial tablets	700.00
Reserve fund	1200.00
Unclassified	700.00

Voted; to raise by taxation for town charges \$4000.00

Voted; to raise for moth work 965.67

Voted; to raise for drainage system South Acton 1000.00

Art. 7. Voted; To appropriate two hundred dollars

Art. 8 Voted; That all taxes other than poll shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1922 and in all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1922 interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1922 until such taxes are paid

Art. 9 Voted; To appropriate five hundred dollars for general maintenance and two hundred and fifty dollars for the purchase of hose for South Acton

Art. 10 Voted to appropriate two hundred dollars  
Voted; That the amount to be paid be fixed by the forest warden subject to the approval of the selectmen

Art. 11 Voted; To appropriate two hundred dollars for the control of the elm leaf beetle to be expended at the discretion of the selectmen

Art. 11, (cont.) Voted; To raise and appropriate for moth work the sum of \$965.67.

Art. 12 Voted; That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> 1922 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 13 Voted; To appropriate four hundred dollars.

Art. 14 Voted; To appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars.

Art. 15 Voted; That the town give the use of the town hall and town grounds to the Acton Agricultural Association for their meetings and fairs during the coming year

Art. 16 A motion to appropriate \$3000 for repairing the road described in the article did not prevail

Art. 17 Voted; That the selectmen be instructed to have the electric lighting system installed on Common street from the nearest existing point where there are lights to Crookers corner so called, and to install the necessary lights

Art. 18 Voted; That the selectmen be instructed to have one electric light placed at or near the Nash railroad crossing and one at the intersection of the electric car line and Central avenue near Richardsons corner

Art. 19 Voted; That the board of health be instructed to employ a town nurse.  
Voted; To appropriate the sum of twenty five hundred dollars to care for the expense

Art. 20, 21, and 22. were considered jointly, Voted; To raise

Art. 20, 21. and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars and 22. (cont.) for the establishment of a new drainage system at the South school.

Voted; That the school committee be instructed to install flush closets in the Center and West schools.

Voted; To appropriate the sum of eighteen hundred dollars therefor.

Art. 23. Voted; To appropriate the sum of twenty two hundred dollars therefor.

Art. 24. A motion to change the time to the first Monday in February did not prevail.  
Voted; To dismiss the article.

Art. 25. Voted; To appropriate three hundred dollars and instruct the selectmen to appoint the director referred to in the article.

Art. 26. Voted; To dismiss the article.

Art. 27. Voted; That the selectmen be instructed to insure all buildings belonging to the town.

Art. 28. Voted; That the selectmen be instructed to have the street lighting system extended to the house of B. J. DeSouza, and to have the necessary number of lights installed.

Art. 29. Voted; To refer the matter to the selectmen with power to act.

Art. 30. Voted. To dismiss the article.

Art. 31. Voted to dismiss the article.  
106 voting yes. 71 voting no.

Art. 32. Voted to pass over the article.

Art. 33. Voted, To refer the matter to the selectmen.

Art. 34. Voted; That the selectmen be authorized to make a contract with the American Woven Company for street lighting.

Art. 35. Voted, To appropriate one thousand dollars to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Art. 36. Voted, That the selectmen be authorized to sell at public auction, the land and building in South Acton hitherto used as a lock up.  
Voted; That the cages be placed in the fire house in South Acton.

Art. 37. Voted, to pass over the article.

Art. 38. Voted; To accept the laying out, by the selectmen, of a road in West Acton as described in the article.

Art. 39. Voted. To appropriate the unexpended of last year \$764.<sup>00</sup>

Voted to adjourn without date.

A true record attest Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk

# Warrant for a Special Meeting May 3<sup>d</sup> 1922.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex S.S.

To either of the constables of the town of Acton in the County aforesaid; Greeting;  
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Acton who are qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the town hall in said town on Wednesday the 3<sup>d</sup> day of May, 1922, at eight o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to rescind the unused authority for a loan for the construction of Lowell road, as granted at the meeting held March 1, 1920 or to take any other action relative thereto.
- Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of Lowell road from Maynard line to state road leading from Concord to Littleton to be used in conjunction with amounts allotted by the Division of Highway Department of Public Works, or to take any action relative thereto.
- Art. 4. To see if the town will elect a moderator for the term of one year on the official ballot as provided by law.
- Art. 5. To see if the town will take action relative to naming the streets and highways in the town.
- Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1112.40 said sum to be used for paying insurance premiums on town buildings.

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at each of the places as directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the time of said meeting.  
If you fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting.  
Given under our hands at Acton this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1922.

signed Warren H. Jones  
Alfred W. Davis  
Murray Brown.  
Selectmen of Acton

Acton May 3, 1922.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed.  
John T. McEliff Constable

Proceedings of the Special Meeting  
May 3, 1922.

- Act. 1. Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator.
- Act. 2. Voted; That the town rescind the unused authority for the loan authorized at the meeting held Mar. 1 1920, for the construction of Lowell road.
- Act. 3. Voted; That there be appropriated the sum of eleven thous and two hundred and fifty (\$11250) dollars for the purpose of constructing the Lowell road from the Maynard line to the state road leading from Concord to Littleton said sum to be used in conjunction with a sum allotted by the Division of Highways Department of Public Works and a similar sum allotted by the County of Middlesex and to meet said appropriation, that the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow said sum and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor to be payable in accordance with Section 19 Chapter 44, General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from date of issue or at such earlier dates as the treasurer and selectmen may determine twenty five voted in favor. two voted no.
- Act. 4. Voted; That the town elect a moderator for the term of one year on the official ballot as provided by law.
- Act. 5. Voted; That the selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee consisting of three voters from each precinct, said committee to propose names for the streets and highways in the town and report such names for the approval of the town at the next annual meeting.

The selectmen appointed J. Sidney White, Horace F. Tuttle, Charlotte Conant, Anson C. Peper, Lewis C. Hastings, Alice Sikes, Allen Brooks Parker, W. E. Whitcomb, and Alice M. Carlisle.

- Act. 6. Voted; To raise and appropriate the sum of \$112.40 to pay insurance premiums on town buildings.

Voted. to adjourn without date.  
A true record attest, Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk.

# Warrant for the State Primary

Sept. 12, 1922.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex s.s.

To either of the constables of the town of Acton  
Greeting;

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby  
required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said  
town who are qualified to vote in primaries to  
meet in their respective voting places, in said town  
to wit Precinct 1, Town Hall. Precinct 2

Universalist Church, South Acton Precinct 3 Town  
house, West Acton, Tuesday the twelfth day  
of September, 1922 at 6.30 o'clock P.M. for the  
following purposes: To bring in their votes to  
the primary officers for the nomination of  
candidates of political parties for the following  
offices Governor, for the Commonwealth  
Lieutenant Governor " " "

Secretary " " "

Treasurer and Receiver General " " "

Auditor " " "

Attorney General " " "

Senator in Congress. " " "

Representative in Congress. 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Councillor 6<sup>th</sup> Councillor District

Senator 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District

Representative in General Court. 11<sup>th</sup> Middlesex District

County Commissioner Middlesex County

Two Associate Commissioners Middlesex County

District Attorney Northern District

Clerk of the Courts Middlesex County

Register of Deeds. Middlesex County

County Treasurer to fill vacancy Middlesex County

and for the election of the following officers

District member of State Committee for each

political party for the 7<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District

15. Members of the Republican Town Committee

Members of the Democratic town committee

3. Delegates to State Conventions of the Republican party

Delegates to the State Conventions of the Democratic  
party. All the above candidates and officers to be  
voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from 6.30 P.M. to 8.30 P.M.

and you are directed to serve this warrant by posting  
attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time  
of said meeting as directed by vote of the town

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant  
with your doings thereon at the time and place of said  
meeting. Given under our hands this first day of  
Sept. 1922.

Warren H. Jones Selectmen  
Alfred W. Davis of  
Murray Brown. Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within  
warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein  
directed John T. McNeill

Acton Sept. 4, 1922 Constable

## Record of the State Primary Sept. 12, 1922

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town  
of Acton, held in accordance with the foregoing  
warrant, all the ballots given in were counted,  
recorded and declaration thereof made as by law  
directed and the following is a true record of the  
names of all persons voted for, the number of votes  
for each person and the title of the office for which he  
was proposed.

Candidates of the Republican Party				Total
	Precinct 1.	Precinct 2.	Precinct 3.	
Whole no. of ballots cast.	106	94	217	417.
For Governor.				
J. Weston Allen.	twenty seven	twenty one	forty eight	96
Channing H. Cox	twenty five	twenty	one hundred forty nine	294

	Rec 1.	Rec 2.	Rec 3	Total
Lieutenant Governor.				
Alvan T Fuller	fifty one	sixty one	one hundred twenty nine	241
Joseph E. Warner.	forty seven	twenty eight	fifty six	131
Secretary				
Frederick W. Cook	eighty five	eighty five	one hundred sixty seven	337
Treasurer				
Bres J. Russell	twenty	nineteen	forty seven	86
James Jackson	sixty five	sixty nine	one hundred seventeen	251
Auditor				
J. Arthur Baker	forty two	twenty four	sixty five	131
George B. Cook	forty five	fifty nine	eighty eight	192
Attorney General.				
Jay R. Benton	fifty five	fifty five	ninety three	203
John D. W. Bodfish	two	one	one	4
James F. Cavanagh	four	none	four	8
S. Howard Donnell.	none	five	one	6
George P. Drury	ten	five	twenty four	39
Harold D. Wilson	twenty	eighteen	thirty nine	77
Senator in Congress.				
Henry Cabot Lodge	eighty	sixty eight	one hundred fifty six	304
Joseph Walker	eighteen	twenty two	thirty seven	77
Congressman. 5 <sup>th</sup> Dist.				
John Jacob Rogers	ninety six	ninety	one hundred eighty one	367
Councillor 6 <sup>th</sup> Dist.				
Charles S. Smith	eighty four	eighty one	one hundred fifty six	321
Senator. 7 <sup>th</sup> Dist				
Edgar H. Hall.	eighty one	fifty two	one hundred fifty one	284
Charles P. Howard.	none	one	thirty six	37
Howard B. White	eighteen	forty	eighteen	76

	Rec 1.	Rec 2.	Rec 3.	Total
Senator. (Cont)				
James H. Wilkins	five	none	none	5
Representative in General Court.				
Alfred W. Hartford	thirty nine	forty three	one hundred twenty five	207
Fred L. Snow.	fifty five	forty four	fifty	149
County Commissioner				
Erson B. Barlow.	eighty three	eighty two	one hundred forty four	307
Associate Commissioners				
J. M. Keyes.	one			1
S. H. Fletcher	one			1
District Attorney				
William C. Drouet.	none	two	ten	12
Benjamin F. Haines	thirteen	twenty nine	twenty eight	70
George Stanley Harvey	thirty	thirteen	thirty seven	80
Gardner W. Pearson	twelve	seventeen	forty	69
Nathur R. Reading	twenty six	eleven	thirty	67
James C. Reilly	thirteen	eleven	eighteen	42
Clerk of Courts				
Ralph N. Smith	eighty six	eighty one	one hundred forty three	310
Register of Deeds				
Thomas Leighton Jr.	eighty four	seventy eight	one hundred forty two	304
County Treasurer.				
Charles E. Hatfield.	eighty four	seventy eight	one hundred forty four	306
State Committee				
Chester W. Clark	seventy seven	seventy	one hundred twenty two	269
Delegates to State Conventions				
Edgar H. Hall.	fifty one	seventy three	one hundred fifty eight	282
Frank W. Hoyt	forty nine	seventy six	one hundred twenty five	275
Clara L. Sawyer	forty five	seventy four	one hundred twenty six	266

	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Town Committee				
Charles H. Mead.	82	75	154	311
Charles J. Holton	77	70	151	298
Frank W. Hoyt	81	80	153	314
Ralph L. Hastings	82	80	152	314
Benjamin J. Ineson	79	72	148	299
Horace F. Tuttle	84	78	154	316
Albert P. Durkee	84	74	148	306
David C. Harris	82	72	148	302
James A. Grimes	79	76	143	298
Evangeline P. Hall	81	76	153	310
Annie M. Blanchard	81	72	157	310
Clara L. Sawyer	80	77	150	307
E. Esther Enay	78	72	145	295
Marjorie W. Allen	84	71	131	286
Anne J. Kimball	81	71	146	298

### Candidates of the Democratic Party

Whole number of ballots cast

For Governor

Joseph B. Eley	none	none	none	0
John F. Fitzgerald	three	two	nine	14
Eugene W. Foss	none	none	one	1
Peter F. Sullivan	none	one	one	1

Lieutenant Governor

John J. Cummings	one	two	four	7
John F. Doherty	two	one	six	9
Michael A. O'Leary	one	none	one	2

Secretary

Charles H. McFlue	three	two	six	11
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Treasurer

Joseph E. Verne	three	one	seven	11
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Auditor

Alice E. Cram	three	two	seven	12
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	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Attorney General				
John E. Swift	three	two	six	11
Senator in Congress				
William A. Gaston	two	one	six	9
Dallas Lore Sharp	none	none	none	0
John Jackson Walsh	one	one	four	6
Sheerman L. Whipple	one	none	one	2
Congressman				
Andrew E. Barrett	three	two	eight	13
Councilor				
None				
Senator				
Charles H. Burns	two	two	two	6
William F. Burton	two	none	seven	9
Representative in General Court				
David T. Kinsley	none	none	one	1
David R. Kinsley	none	none	one	1
County Commissioner				
None				
Associate Commissioners				
None				
District Attorney				
Anthony J. Doherty	one	one	ten	12
James C. Reilly	two	one	none	3
Clerk of Court				
None				
Register of Deeds				
None				
County Treasurer				
None				
State Committee				
None				

	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	
Delegate to State Convention				
David R. Kinsley	none	none	four	4
Town Committee				
David R. Kinsley	none	none	six	6
Guy Littlefield	none	none	six	6
James C. Neil	none	none	six	6
Francis A. Bennett	none	none	six	6
Michael Foley	none	none	six	6

A true record. Attest.

Horace F. Tuttle, Town Clerk

### Warrant for the State Election

November 7, 1922.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex, S.S. To either of the constables of the  
in the County aforesaid; Greeting:—  
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
you are hereby required and directed to notify  
and warn the inhabitants of said town of Acton  
who are qualified to vote at elections therein  
to meet in the several polling places in their  
respective precincts to wit Precinct 1, Town Hall  
Precinct 2, Universalist Church South Acton  
Precinct 3, Fire House West Acton on Tuesday  
the seventh day of November, 1922 at 6.30 o'clock  
in the forenoon then and there to bring into the  
precinct officers of their respective precincts their  
votes on one ballot for Governor, Lieutenant  
Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor  
Attorney General, Senator in Congress,  
Congressman for the Fifth Congressional  
District, Counselor for the sixth District  
Senator for the seventh District, One Representative  
in General Court for the Eleventh Middlesex District  
One County Commissioner for Middlesex County  
District Attorney Northern District

Clerk of Courts for Middlesex County, Two associate  
County Commissioners for Middlesex County,  
Register of Deeds for Middlesex County, and County  
Treasurer for Middlesex County to fill a vacancy,  
also to vote Yes or No on the following questions.

1. Acceptance of the following amendment to the  
Constitution Article of Amendment.

Article 48. of the amendments to the constitution is  
herby amended by striking out an that part entitled  
II. Emergency Measures under the heading The  
Referendum the words "A separate vote shall be taken  
on the preamble by call of the yeas and nays which  
shall be recorded. and unless the preamble is adopted  
by two thirds of the members of each house voting thereon  
the law shall not be an emergency law; but" and  
substituting the following "A separate vote which shall  
be recorded shall be taken on the preamble and unless  
the preamble is adopted by two thirds of the members  
of each house voting thereon, the law shall not be  
an emergency law. Upon the request of two members  
of the senate or five members of the house of representatives  
the vote on the preamble in such branch shall be taken  
by call of the yeas and nays; But"

Also to vote Yes or No on the acceptance of the  
following: Laws submitted upon referendum after passage

1. Acceptance of Chap. 368 Acts of 1921 entitled An Act  
providing for suits by and against certain voluntary  
associations
2. Acceptance of Chap. 438 Acts of 1921 entitled  
An Act relative to the examination and licensing  
of motion picture films to be publicly exhibited  
and displayed in the Commonwealth.
3. Acceptance of Chap. 427 Acts of 1922 entitled  
An Act to carry into effect so far as this  
Commonwealth is concerned the Eighteenth  
Amendment to the Constitution of the United States
4. Acceptance of Chap. 459 Acts of 1922 entitled  
An Act providing that District Attorneys shall be

members of the bar. The polls will be open at 6.30 o'clock in the morning and may be closed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at each and all of the several precincts and you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the places as directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meetings. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or selectmen as soon as may be given under our hands in Acton this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty two

Warren H. Jones

Alfred W. Davis

Murray Brown

Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed

John T. McNiff Constable  
Acton. Nov. 7. 1922.

### Record of the State Election Nov. 7. 1922.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
Whole number of votes cast.	157.	211	285	653
Party designations R. Republican, D. Democratic, S. Socialist, S.L. Socialist Labor, P. Prohibition, P.P. Prof. Probab. Progressive				

For Governor.	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
Shanning E. Cox R.	one hundred forty one	one hundred fifty	two hundred twenty seven	518.
John F. Fitzgerald D.	sixteen	fifty one	forty one	108
Henry Hess S.L.	none	none	none	0
Walter S. Hutchins S.	none	two	one	3
John B. Lewis P.	none	four	four	8
Blanks.	0.	4	12	16

For Lieutenant Governor	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
John F. DePorty D.	sixteen	forty	thirty four	90
Alvan T. Fuller R.	one hundred twenty eight	one hundred fifty seven	two hundred thirty	515
Oscar Kinsale S.L.	none	none	none	0
Thomas Nicholson S.	one	four	one	6
Blanks.	12	10	20	42

For Secretary	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
Frederick W. Cook R.	one hundred thirty five	one hundred sixty	two hundred twenty two	517
Albert Sprague Coolidge S.	none	three	two	5
James Hayes S.L.	none	two	none	2
Charles H. McFlue D.	fourteen	thirty two	twenty seven	73
Blanks.	8	14	34	56

For Treasurer	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
James Jackson R.	one hundred thirty four	one hundred sixty	two hundred twenty	514
Patrick H. Loftus S.L.	none	one	none	1
Dennis F. Reagan S.	none	one	one	2
Joseph E. Verne D.	thirteen	thirty two	thirty six	71
Blanks.	10	17	38	65

For Auditor	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
John Aiken S.L.	one	three	two	6
Alonzo B. Cook R.	one hundred twenty	one hundred fifty three	two hundred six	479
Alice E. Cram D.	nineteen	thirty seven	thirty four	90
Edith M. Williams S.	none	two	one	3
Blanks.	17	16	42	75

For Attorney General	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
Joseph Bearak S.	none	one	three	4
Jay R. Benton R.	one hundred thirty four	one hundred fifty two	two hundred twelve	498
David Craig S.L.	none	one	none	1
John E. Swift D.	fourteen	thirty nine	thirty two	85
Blanks.	9	18	38	65

	Prec 1.	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
<i>Senators in Congress.</i>				
Washington Cook, Ind.	none	two	none	2
William A. Gaston D.	twenty eight	thirty two	forty eight	128
Henry Cabot Lodge R.	one hundred	one hundred	one hundred	454
John A. Nicholls P. Rep.	ten	ten	forty four	34
John Weaver Sherman S.	one	three	one	5
William E. Weeks. Cong.	none	none	one	1
Blanks.	four	eight	eighteen	30
<i>Congressmen. Fifth District</i>				
Andrew E. Barrett. D.	nineteen	thirty three	thirty two	84
John Jacob Rogers R.	one hundred	one hundred	one hundred	517
Blanks.	11	21	20	52
<i>Councillor Sixth District</i>				
Charles S. Smith R.	one hundred	one hundred	two hundred	514
Blanks.	22	48	69	139
<i>Senator Seventh District</i>				
Frank P. Bennett. Ind.	twenty four	twenty three	thirty four	81
William F. Curtin D.	thirteen	thirty three	thirty two	78
Charles P. Howard R.	one hundred	one hundred	one hundred	426
Blanks.	11	21	36	68
<i>Representative in General Court</i>				
Fred. L. Snow R.	one hundred	one hundred	two hundred	517
Blanks.	20	46	70	136
<i>County Commissioner</i>				
Esion B. Berdick R.	one hundred	one hundred	two hundred	509
Blanks.	13	48	77	144
<i>Associate Commissioners</i>				
Sherman H. Fletcher R.	one hundred	one hundred	one hundred	428
John M. Hayes. R.	eighteen	thirty two	seventy eight	377
Blanks.	two	one hundred	one hundred	501
<i>District Attorney</i>				
Arthur K. Reading R.	one hundred	one hundred	two hundred	456
James C. Reilly D.	thirteen	thirty three	ten	124
Blanks.	9	27	37	73
<i>Clerk of Courts</i>				
Ralph A. Smith R.	one hundred	one hundred	two hundred	510
Blanks.	20	54	69	143

	Prec 1.	Prec 2	Prec 3.	Total
<i>Register of Deeds</i>				
Thomas Lighten Jr. R.	one hundred	one hundred	two hundred	505
Blanks.	22	50	76	148
<i>County Treasurer</i>				
Charles E. Hatfield R.	one hundred	one hundred	two hundred	503
Blanks.	21	53	76	150
<i>Referendum Question No 1.</i>				
<i>Amendment to Constitution relative to roll call.</i>				
Yes.	eighty	ninety seven	one hundred	292
No.	sixteen	thirty six	forty	92
Blanks.	61	78	130	269
<i>Question No 2 relative to suing voluntary associations</i>				
Yes.	eighty four	seventy nine	one hundred	273
No.	twenty one	sixty two	thirty six	139
Blanks.	32	70	119	241
<i>Question No 3, relative to censorship of motion pictures</i>				
Yes.	fifty	forty four	eighty eight	182
No.	seventy eight	thirty three	one hundred	351
Blanks.	29	34	57	120
<i>Question No 4, relative to the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the U.S.</i>				
Yes.	ninety eight	seventy nine	one hundred	312
No.	thirty nine	one hundred	thirty five	243
Blanks.	20	27	51	98
<i>Question No 5, relative to District Attorney</i>				
Yes.	ninety nine	one hundred	one hundred	366
No.	twenty	thirty two	forty five	102
Blanks.	38	49	98	185

A true record. Attest

Horace F. Tuttle, Town Clerk

Nov. 7. 1922.

Vote for Representative 11<sup>th</sup> Middlesex District

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Tyngsboro	Westford	Total
Fred. L. Snow	517	321	111	1103	293	195	387	
of Tyngsboro R.								
Alfred W. Hartford	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
of Westford								
Blanks	136	129	26	338	50	54	217	
	653	450	137	1441	343	249	606	
Horace F. Tuttle	Town Clerk of Acton							
Abott R. Webber	" " " Bedford							
Jennie M. Foss	" " " Carlisle							
Justin L. Moore	" " " Chelmsford							
Eliot M. Young	" " " Littleton							
George R. Robinson	Tyngsboro							
Charles L. Hildreth	Westford							

## Warrant for the Annual Meeting

March 5. 1923.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs to meet as follows: Those residing in Precinct 1, at the Town Hall, in said Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, Those residing in Precinct 2, in the Universalist Church, at South Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, Those residing in Precinct 3 at Fire House, in West Acton, at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the fifth day of March, 1923, by posting a copy of this warrant by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said fifth day of March. Then and there to act on the following articles:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator

Art. 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One town clerk for one year, one selectmen for three years, three overseers of the poor for one year, one assessor for three years, one trustee of Memorial library for three years, one auditor for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, two for school committee for three years, four constables for one year, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, one for board of health for three years, five for finance committee for one year, one tree warden for one year. Also on the same ballot with the above named town officers to vote upon the following questions: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain

non intoxicating beverages, as defined by Section 1 of Chapter 138, this year?

Shall the town petition for the installation of an accounting system by the Commonwealth?

(This question is submitted under the provisions of Chapter 516, Acts of 1922.)

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock P.M.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday March 12<sup>th</sup>, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following articles:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator.
- Art. 2. To choose all necessary town officers and committees.
- Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers not named in Article 2, and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.
- Art. 5. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Art. 6. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

- Art. 8. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department or vote anything thereon.
- Art. 10. To see if the town will pay for fighting bush fires and fix price thereon.
- Art. 11. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the elm tree beetle <sup>and</sup> brown tail and gypsy moth.
- Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1923, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 14. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds or act anything thereon.
- Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to give the use of the town hall and town grounds to the Acton Agricultural association for their meetings and fairs.

- Act. 16. To see if the town will provide a safe or vault, or make some other suitable provision for the safe keeping of its records, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.
- Act. 17. To see if the town will purchase three snow plows, one for each precinct, to be used for clearing the roads of snow, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.
- Act. 18. To see what action the town will take to keep the roads open for travel in the winter.
- Act. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to be used with the unexpended balance of the \$30,000 borrowed for the rebuilding of the Lowell road, to extend it to a point beyond "Kelleys Corner".
- Act. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other amount and elect a director; the money to be expended by and the director to serve, in cooperation with the county agricultural trustees of the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics, under the provision of Section 40 to 45, Chap. 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.
- Act. 21. To see if the town will vote to maintain a public health nurse for the ensuing year or act anything thereon.
- Act. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars for maintenance of the public health nurse or any other sum or act anything thereon.

- Act. 23. To see what action the town will take in regard to fixing the price of the services of the public health nurse or act anything thereon.
- Act. 24. To see if the town will vote to dispose of the stone crusher or act anything thereon.
- Act. 25. To see if the town will vote to accept Act. 4<sup>th</sup> of the late George R. White or act anything thereon.
- Act. 26. To see what action the town will take relating to Chapter 240, Acts of 1920, viz: An act to permit under public regulations and control, base ball games on the Lord's day.
- Act. 27. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road in North Acton leading from the Lowell road to the County road near the farm of Gertrude Daniels.
- Act. 28. To see if the town will maintain street lamps on that part of the road from Acton Center to South Acton, between Main street, Acton Center, and the farm now occupied by W. S. Dunn, formerly the Moses Taylor farm.
- Act. 29. To see if the town will vote to extend the electric lights on the Acton Center road to the house of the late Patrick Foley.
- Act. 30. To see if the town will vote to establish two lights beyond the residence of Benjamin Emerson to the three houses near the Stow line on Red Horse road, and appropriate money therefor.
- Act. 31. To see if the town will establish lights on Massachusetts avenue in West Acton near the garage of James Fitzgerald.

Art 32. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on the Lowell road in North Acton from the railroad crossing to the house of Miss Spinney, or take any action thereon

Art 33. To see if the town will vote to place two street lights on Wright Terrace in Precinct 3, or act anything thereon

Art 34. To see if the town will vote and appropriate money to macadamize Eight Street from Maynard Street to the back road leading to Maynard, or act anything thereon

Art 35. To see what action the town will take to place street lights from Fletcher's Corner to the Barker place or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twentieth day of February, 1923.

Warren H. Jones, Selectmen  
Alfred W. Davis of Acton  
Murray Brown.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed

John T. McNeff  
Constable of Acton  
Acton, Mass. Feb 24, 1923.

## Election of Officers

March 5, 1923.

At a legal meeting, held March 5, 1923, at the three precincts of the town of Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the following candidates for Town Officers received the number of votes set against their respective names:

	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total.
Whole number of ballots cast	seventy-two	one hundred thirty-nine	one hundred eighty-six	397
Moderator one year	sixty-six	one hundred twenty-eight	one hundred fifty-two	346
Allen Brooks Parker	66	128	152	346
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar 12, 1923				
Town Clerk one year				
Horace F. Tuttle	69	134	169	372
Sworn by Moderator Mar 12, 1923				
Selectmen, three years				
Harry B. Morse	62	131	147	340
Charles H. Hutton			1	1
Sworn Mar 10, 1923. F. W. Whit J. P.				
Assessor, three years				
Albert P. Dunke	65	123	153	341
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar 17, 1923				
Overseers of the Poor, one year				
Murray Brown	67	130	149	346
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar 10, 1923				
Harry B. Morse	64	127	147	338
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar 10, 1923				
Alfred W. Davis	63	129	149	341
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar 10, 1923				
Treasurer, one year				
Frank W. Whit	70	136	162	368
Sworn by E. Frankner Comant Mar 9, 1923				
Collector of Taxes				
Charles A. Dunke	54	124	140	318
Sworn by F. W. Whit				
Geo E. Hutton	1			1
Constables				
John T. McNeff	65	126	165	356
Sworn by F. W. Whit				
Olier D. Wood	63	125	152	340
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar 6, 1923				

	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Constables one year (continued)				
Michael Foley	65	128	144	337
sworn by J. W. Hoit Mar 6, 1923				
Charles T. Baxter	60	123	143	326
sworn by Town Clerk Mar 8, 1923				
Charles E. Wood			1.	1.
School Committee, three years				
Lulu L. Clark	36	77	128	241
sworn by J. W. Hoit Mar 8, 1923				
Madeline M. Howe	34	69	51	154
Spencer H. Taylor	68	105	119	292
sworn by Town Clerk March 8, 1923				
Cemetery Commission three years				
Fred W. Green	61	127	163	351
sworn by Town Clerk Mar 12, 1923				
Board of Health, three years				
Raymond F. Durkee	60	125	144	329
sworn by Town Clerk March 10, 1923				
Trustee Memorial Library, three years				
J. Sidney White	63	128	146	337
Tree Warden, one year				
James C. Neil	63	123	137	323
sworn by Town Clerk Mar 17, 1923				
Finance Committee, one year				
James B. Tuttle	63	126	141	330
Frank W. Hat	63	126	142	331
Edgar H. Hall	61	124	145	330
Joseph Merriam	60	125	135	320
Horace F. Tuttle	64	124	145	333
Shall license be granted for the sale of certain non intoxicating beverages in this town, Yes.	16	55	48	119
No.	43	53	93	189
Shall the town petition for the installation of an accounting system by the Commonwealth Yes.	12	36	38	86
Chap. 516 Act of 1922 No.	35	41	40	116

At the record, clerk  
Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk

## Proceedings of the Annual Meeting held March 12, 1923

The meeting was called to order at 9. a. m.  
by the moderator, Allen Brooks Parker.

The moderator appointed Bertram D. Hall and  
William T. Merriam, tellers

Art. 1, Allen Brooks Parker was chosen moderator at the  
town election March 5, 1923.

Art. 2, See election March 5, 1923.

Art. 3, Chose Charlotte Conant, trustee of the "Goodnow"  
fund, for three years.

Chose Clarence D. Gram, trustee of the Tiernan's  
Relief fund, for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at  
five eighths of one per cent of the amount collected

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen  
be one hundred dollars per annum and the other  
members fifty dollars each per annum

Voted: That the salary of the treasurer be two hundred  
dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the assessors be as follows: -  
The chairman one hundred and twenty five dollars per  
annum, the clerk, one hundred dollars and the  
other member seventy five dollars

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be ten dollars  
per meeting

Voted: That the salary of the Overseers of the Poor  
be as follows: The Chairman seventy five dollars,  
and the other members forty dollars each per annum

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the  
salary of all other town officers

Art. 4 Voted: To accept the reports of the several town  
officers

Art. 5 The committee appointed by the selectmen, under authority of a vote passed at a special town meeting, May 3, 1922, submitted a printed report Voted; to amend said report by substituting the name of Prospect street for Blanchard street item, number 43.  
Voted; To substitute the name of Howard L Quimby square for Exchange square  
Voted; To substitute the name Peper road for Quimby street, item 36.  
Voted; To accept the report of the committee as amended.

Voted; To receive the verbal report of the Welcome Home Committee, to which was referred the matter of a memorial to those who served in the World War from Acton

Voted; That the committee be continued and the sum of seven hundred dollars be reappropriated for the use of said committee

Voted; That three ex service men be added to the committee, all of whom shall have seen service in the army, navy or marines of the United States

Voted; That the three men be chosen by the ex service men of the town, one from each precinct

Art. 6 Voted; To appropriate for  
Roads and Bridges \$ 10,000.  
Removal of snow 1500.  
Loans and interest 8150.  
Schools 40,000.  
School house, Center, special improvements 1500.  
Town Nurse 2000.  
Memorial Library, current expenses 700.  
Memorial Library, purchase of books 200.  
Hydrant service 2784.  
Fire Department for new hose 400.

Forest fires \$ 200.  
Street lighting 3900.  
Street lighting (extensions) 800  
Shade trees care of 500.  
General government 3000.  
Treasurers and collectors bonds 150.  
Enforcement of the liquor laws 465.64  
Buildings and grounds 400  
Cemeteries 900  
Police department 400.  
Board of health 750  
Military aid 100  
Sidewalks removal of snow 200  
Memorial tablets 700.  
Reserve fund 1200.  
Unclassified 700  
Fire house North Acton, a sum of money sufficient to shingle  
Elm leaf beetle control of 300.

Voted; to raise and appropriate for  
Special work on Main Street (Lowell road)  
from South Acton to Kelley's corner 2000.  
Demonstration work in agriculture 300  
Fire department maintenance 500.  
Ninth cook 965.67  
Memorial Day 225.  
Insurance of employees 400

Voted; To raise by taxation for town charges 60,000.

Art. 7 Voted; To raise the sum of two hundred and twenty five dollars.  
Voted; That the moderator be instructed to appoint a committee of seven to take in charge the expenditure of this appropriation

- Art. 7. *Cont.* and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial day. The following persons were appointed by the moderator  
George Toone, George B. Parker, Lowell Gram, C. D. Wood, Fannie Wetherbee, Charlotte Conant and Helen Hewittson.
- Art. 8 Voted: That all taxes, other than poll taxes, shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1923, and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1923 interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1923 until such taxes are paid.
- Art. 9 Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars.
- Art. 10 Voted: To appropriate two hundred dollars for fighting brush fires  
Voted: That the amount to be paid be fixed by the forest warden subject to the approval of the selectmen.
- Art. 11 Voted: To raise nine hundred seventy five and 67/100 dollars \$965.67 for moth work  
Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars for the suppression of the elm leaf beetle.
- Art. 12 Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1923 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 13 Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred (400) dollars.

- Art. 14 Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty (150) dollars.
- Art. 15 Voted: That the town give the use of the town hall and town grounds to the Acton Agricultural association for their meetings and fairs.
- Art. 16 Voted: That a committee of three be appointed by the moderator to investigate the matter of providing suitable accommodations for keeping the town records and report to the town at the next annual meeting or an earlier meeting.  
The moderator appointed the following,  
James B. Tuttle, William Rawster, Edgar H. Hall.
- Art. 17 Voted: To pass over the article.
- Art. 18 Voted: That the matter be referred to the selectmen to act in their discretion.
- Art. 19 Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to be used for rebuilding the Lowell road, as stated in the article.
- Art. 20 Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars and instruct the selectmen to appoint the doctor referred to in the article.
- Art. 21 Voted: That the town maintain a Public Health nurse the ensuing year.
- Art. 22 Voted: To appropriate the sum of two thousand (2000) dollars.
- Art. 23 Voted: Voted that a charge of fifty cents per call be made for the services of the public health nurse.
- Art. 24 Voted: That the matter be left in the hands of the selectmen with power to act.

Art 25 Voted: That the town accept a legacy in Art 4 of the will of the late George R. White, of \$25000. to be known as the Elizabeth White fund, upon the trusts and conditions in said will set forth

Voted, To choose three trustees, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and that annually hereafter one trustee shall be elected for three years.

Chose Waldo E. Whitcomb trustee for one year  
William H. Kingsley trustee for two years  
Warren H. Jones trustee for three years.

Art 26 A motion to accept the provisions of law permitting base ball games on the Lord's day did not prevail

Art 27 Voted: That the road in North Acton, leading from the Lowell road to the County road near the farm of Gertrude C. Daniels be discontinued

Art 28 Voted: to take up for joint consideration articles 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 35.

A motion that the articles be referred to the selectmen with power to act, did not prevail

Voted: That the extensions called for in the several articles be installed, so far as possible

Voted: To appropriate eight hundred (800) dollars for additional street lights

Art 34 A motion to raise and appropriate (\$3500) thirty five hundred dollars to macadamize 2000 feet of High street, in South Acton, beginning at Maynard street, did not prevail

Voted, To adjourn without date.

A true record, attest

Horace F. Tuttle,

Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Meeting.

March 3, 1924.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town affairs, to meet as follows,

Those residing in Precinct 1, at the town hall in said Acton, at 12 o'clock noon. Those residing in Precinct 2, in the Universalist church, at South Acton, at 12 o'clock noon. Those residing in Precinct 3, at the Fire House, in West Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, the third day of March, 1924, by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said third day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three overseers of the poor for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one for board of health for three years, one trustee Memorial library for three years, one tree warden for one year, five for finance committee for one year. Also on the same ballot with the above named town officers, to vote upon the following question: "Shall licenses

be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages, as defined in Section 1, of Chapter 138?"

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock P.M.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, March 10th, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. Then and there to act upon the following articles:

- Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.
- Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.
- Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial Day.
- Art. 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.

- Art. 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.
- Art. 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the elm tree beetle and brown tail and gypsy moth.
- Art. 10. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1924, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 12. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00, or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in cooperation with the County Agriculture and Home Economics, under provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 128, Laws of Massachusetts.
- Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the use of the reservoir, opposite the

the Cider Mill in South Acton as a water supply, or act anything thereon.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to reimburse the Middlesex County Extension Service the \$40.00 paid for a special motor necessary to give educational motion pictures in the town of Acton.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to appoint a committee to report at the next annual meeting on whether the town should establish a town forest, or act anything thereon.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to borrow the sum of \$5,000 by issuing notes, to continue rebuilding Main street (Lowell Road) from Maynard line to the State road leading to Littleton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00, provided a like amount is provided by the state and by the county for the purpose of rebuilding Central street, West Acton, starting at the Boxboro line, or act anything thereon.

Art. 19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to macadamize a portion of High street in South Acton, approximately 1400 feet, beginning at Main street and extending to a point on the brow of the hill, or act anything thereon.

Art. 20. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairing and reconstructing such portions of River street as may seem necessary, or act anything thereon.

Art. 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the repair of Piper street in South Acton, from School street to Durin's Corner, or act anything thereon.

Art. 22. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 for the purchase of new fire apparatus, or act anything thereon.

Art. 23. To see if the town will appoint a committee of five with authority to investigate the electric lighting situation and report at a subsequent town meeting whether the present contract is the best for the town, and make any recommendation they deem advisable, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for necessary expenses.

Art. 24. To see what action the town will take in regard to the maintenance of a public health nurse for the ensuing year, or act anything thereon.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the public health nurse, or act anything thereon.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the repair of Arlington street in West

Acton, beginning at or near Odd Fellows hall, and extending easterly, or do or act anything thereon.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the amount of the dog tax for the support of the public libraries of the town.

Art. 28. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair Maple and Martin streets in South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to repair Red Acre Farm road in South Acton, from the house of Benjamin Ineson to a point near the residence of Philip Newell, or act anything thereon.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to change the name of Central square in West Acton to Sidney J. Edwards square, and allow the ex-service men to erect a tablet.

Art. 31. To see what action the town will take relating to Chapter 240, Acts of 1920, viz: To enact to permit under public regulations and control, baseball games on the Lord's day.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to put additional lights in Howard Quimby square, or act anything thereon.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to put additional lights in Central square, West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to install a street light at the bridge on Martin street, and one at the intersection of Stow and Main streets in South Acton.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to install street lights on Main street from Kelly's Corner to the residence of Mrs. Mary T. Coughlin.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to maintain street lights on Strawberry Hill road from the State highway to the residence of Alden C. F. Laay.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to establish the necessary street lights on Maple avenue, Acton Center, to the residence of James B. Tuttle.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on Massachusetts avenue from Kelly's Corner, so called, to Piper road, and thence on said Piper road to the residence of Frank B. Farrar.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to extend the lighting system to the residence of Herbert F. Robbins, on Newtowne road, and Hammond street, or act anything thereon.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00, or some other amount, to assist the American Koolen Company in installing an electric light line from in front of B. J. De Sousa's house in West Acton, to Central street, thence along Central street to the house

of Albert Perkins, thence along Nashoba road by the houses of Albert R. Jenks and Frank Balette, to the house of Levi Perkins. No street lights are requested or expected by the property owners or the American Woolen Company under this article.

Art. 41. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on the State highway in North Acton from the house of Mrs. Thomas McCarthy to a point opposite the house of E. J. Furell.

Art. 42. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on Arlington street, West Acton, from O. A. Knowlton's Corner to a point opposite the residence of James W. Barry.

Art. 43. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the repairing of the sidewalks in West Acton, from Windsor avenue to the schoolhouse on the southerly side of Massachusetts avenue, or do or act anything thereon

Signed,

Murray Brown,  
Alfred H. Davis,  
Harry B. Morse,  
Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed

John F. Mc Niff  
Constable.

Acton, Mass. Feb. 21, 1924.

## Election of Officers.

March 3, 1924.

At a legal meeting held March 3, 1924, at the three precincts of the town of Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the following candidates for Town Officers received the number of votes set against their respective names:

	Prec. 1.	Prec. 2.	Prec. 3.	Total
Whole number of ballots cast				
Moderator one year, fifty three <sup>and twenty seven</sup> fifty nine				239
Allen Brooks Parker	53	59	127	239
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 10, 1924.				
Town Clerk one year.				
Horace T. Tuttle	53	60	133	246
Sworn by Moderator Mar. 10, 1924.				
Selectman three years.				
Albert R. Jenks.	44	59	130	233
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 5, 1924.				
Assessor three years.				
Henry L. Haynes.	43	55	111	209
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 10, 1924.				
Overseers of the Poor, one year.				
Murray Brown	52	58	129	239
Harry B. Morse	50	59	125	234
Albert R. Jenks.	47	58	124	229
Took oath respectively				
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 8, 1924.				
Sworn by T. H. Hoyt Mar. 6, 1924. J. P.				
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 5, 1924.				
Treasurer one year.				
Frank H. Hoyt	52	55	129	236
Sworn by E. F. Conant J. P. Mar. 7, 1924.				
Collector of Taxes one year.				
Charles A. Durkee	49	57	131	237
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 11, 1924.				
Constables				
John H. Davis	27	32	64	123

Constables	Proc. 1.	Proc. 2.	Proc. 3.	Total
Michael Foley	40	53	116	209
Alan B. Frost	44	56	108	208
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 19, 1924.				
John T. Mc Niff	39	43	98	180
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 23, 1924.				
Oliver D. Wood	33	51	104	188
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 25, 1924.				
School Committee				
Alice M. Carlisle	48	55	77	180
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 18, 1924.				
Frank Toohy	39	48	107	194
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 8, 1924.				
Cemetery Commissioners Three years.				
Lyman Tuttle	51	59	108	218
Board of Health three years.				
Frank E. Tasker	45	58	119	222
Sworn by Town Clerk Mar. 19, 1924.				
Trustee Memorial Library three years.				
Lucius H. Hesselton	51	60	117	228
Tree Warden one year.				
James O'Neil	50	59	115	224
Finance Committee, one year.				
James B. Tuttle.	48	57	117	222
Frank H. Hoyt	52	59	122	233
Edgar H. Hall	52	57	117	226
William Pawitser	51	57	116	224
Horace F. Tuttle.	51	60	118	229

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain  
non- intoxicating beverages in this town?

Yes.	9	23	35	67
No.	42	32	71	145

A true record, attest

Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting

March 10, 1924

The meeting was called to order at 9 o'clock A.M. by the moderator, Ellen Brooks Parker.

Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers. Chose S. Warren Hagg, trustee of the Goodnow fund for three years.

Chose Edgar H. Hall, trustee of the fireman's relief fund for three years.

Chose Haldor E. Whitcomb, trustee of the Elizabeth White fund for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at five eighths of one percent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars per annum and the other members fifty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the treasurer be three hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the assessors be as follows: The chairman, one hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum; the clerk, one hundred dollars, and the other members, seventy-five dollars.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be ten dollars per meeting.

Voted: That the salary of the overseers of the poor be as follows: The chairman, seventy-five dollars, and the other members, forty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be three hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salary of all other town officers.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.

Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

James B. Tuttle reported for the committee appointed to investigate the matter of providing suitable accommodations for the town records.

On motion of Edgar H. Hall, it was

Voted: that there be appropriated the sum of seventy-five hundred (\$7500) dollars for the building of an addition on the rear of the present town houses, in accordance with the general plan presented by the committee chosen at the annual town meeting in 1923, and to meet the said appropriation there be raised in the tax levy of 1924, the sum of \$1500.00, and that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$6,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes therefor, payable in accordance with Section 19, Chapter 111, General Laws, so the whole loan shall be paid in not more than four years, and that a committee be chosen to build such addition, consisting of the chairman of the finance committee, president of the Acton Agricultural association, master of the Acton Grange, and three ladies, one from each precinct, to be appointed by the moderator; 81 voted in the affirmative; eight voted in the negative. The moderator appointed: Charlotte Conant, Precinct 1; Lulu L. Clark, Precinct 2; Helen A. Knowlton, Precinct 3, members of the committee.

The following letter was read by James B. Tuttle.

"Mr. Moderator - In connection with the

report just made and in particular that part of it which recommends an addition to the rear of this town hall. I address you as the present representative of the town of Acton; myself speaking as the official voice of the Acton Agricultural Association.

The Acton Agricultural Association appreciates the privileges that have been granted to the association by the town and the very courteous treatment received at the hands of the town officers.

This association is seven years old, and, in that time, it has become an institution within the town, each year it being of greater benefit to the town and its members. The association hopes to continue this work with greater scope in its particular field of work.

Indirectly, the plan of an addition to the town hall, came to the attention of the association. It was the consensus of opinion within the association, that rather than it should be the aim of the association to some day own grounds of its own where some thousands of dollars were invested, and only used once a year, that it was preferable that the Acton Agricultural Association continue to use the town grounds when it did not interfere in town affairs, and so perhaps, be able to turn some of the money they would otherwise invest in permanent property, to the benefit of those grounds they used. It seemed that it was now time to commence to show some appreciation of the benefits the association has received. In order that this might be accomplished, the following vote was unanimously passed by the association, namely: That the Acton Agricultural Association

appropriate one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to the town of Acton, provided the town votes to build an addition onto the rear of the town hall, and provided suitable arrangements can be made for the accommodation of the Acton Agricultural Association.

It is the belief of the association that should this arrangement succeed, the association can, from time to time, be of numerical benefit to the town as regards the property they have the privilege of using, and hopes that the plan referred to may prevail. Yours, respectfully, Acton Agricultural Association, St. Stuart Allen, president

It was voted that the generous offer of the Acton Agricultural Association be accepted, with thanks.

James B. Tuttle reported for the committee on a war memorial.

Voted: That the sum of two thousand (2,000) dollars be appropriated for a war memorial.

Voted: That the committee be continued, and that they be authorized to erect a memorial in substantial conformity to the plans submitted in their report.

Art. 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.

Under this article and other articles in the warrant the following sums were appropriated:

General government	\$3,500.00
Treasurer and collector's bonds	225. -
Buildings and grounds, including Fire Houses	1,000. -
Police department	800. -
Enforcement of the liquor law	395.64
Fire department maintenance	759. -

Fire Department New hose	100.-
Hydrant service	2819.-
Forest fires	200.-
Health and sanitation	500.-
Town nurse	500.-
Moth department	1,088.65
Shade trees (tree wardens department)	400.-
Highways - General repairs	10,000.-
Highways - Snow removal	400.-
Highways - Cutting brush	500.-
Sidewalks - Snow removal	200.-
Highways - Re-building High and River streets	11,550.-
Highways - Re-building Central street	3,000.-
Highways - Re-building Main street	10,000.-
Street lighting	4,850.-
Military Aid	100.-
Schools, not including flush closets	43,000.-
Middlesex County Extension Service	350.-
Memorial day	300.-
Employer's liability insurance	225.-
Memorial library - Current expenses	600.-
Memorial library - Purchase of books	200.-
Cemeteries	1,000.-
Loans and interest	10,000.-
Enlarging town hall	7,500.-
Fire equipment	10,000.-
Memorial tablets	2,000.-
Reserve fund	1,200.-
Unclassified	500.-
Electric light committee	250.-
Total	129,003.29

Voted: To raise by taxation in 1924, the following sums:

For repairs on High, River, Central and Main streets	4770.-
Enlarging town hall	7500.-
Fire equipment	2000.-
Moth work	1088.65

Demonstration work in agricultural	350.-
Town charges	70,000.-
Total	79,708.65

Art. 5. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$300.-  
Voted: That the moderator be instructed to appoint a committee to take in charge the expenditure of this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial day.

The moderator appointed the following committee: Lowell Cram, Theron Lowden, George L. Towne, Charlotte Conant, Frank R. Knowlton.

Art. 6. Voted: That all taxes, other than polls shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1924, and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1924, interest shall be charged at the rate of six percent per annum from Oct. 15, 1924, until such taxes are paid.

Art. 7. Voted: To appropriate \$150.00

Art. 8. Voted: To appropriate \$200.00  
Voted: That the forest wardens be instructed to fix the price for fighting forest fires.

Art. 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,088.65.

Art. 10. Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1924, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the

the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 11. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$225. —

Art. 12. Voted: To appropriate \$225. —

Art. 13. Voted: To discontinue the use of said reservoir as a water supply.

Art. 14. A motion to appropriate \$400. — did not prevail.  
Voted: To take up Article 15 for joint consideration with Article 14.

Art. 15. Voted: To raise and appropriate \$50. — for the purposes stated in Articles 14 and 15.

Art. 16. Voted: That the selectmen appoint a committee to consider the matter and report at the next annual town meeting.

Art. 17. Voted: To take up for joint consideration all articles relating to highways, including Articles 18, 19, 20, 21, 26, 28, 29, and 43.  
Voted: That there be appropriated the sum of \$3,550. — for the purpose of rebuilding roads in the town as asked for in articles 17, 18, 19, and 20 of the present warrant, of which sum, \$10,000. — is for the continuation of work on Main street, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state department of public works and a like sum by the county of Middlesex; \$2000. — for rebuilding Central street in West Acton, starting at the Borboro line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a like sum by the county of Middlesex; and \$1,550. — for macadamizing River and High streets in South Acton, and that to meet said appropriation there be

raised in the tax levy the present year the sum of \$4,770. — and that the treasurer, with the approvable of the selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$18,780. — and to issue bonds or notes therefor, payable in accordance with section 19, Chapter 44, General Laws; so the whole loan shall be paid in not more than four years and that the selectmen shall carry out the instructions of this motion the present year.

The moderator declared the motion passed by more than a two-thirds vote.  
Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to repair the roads described in Articles 21, 26, 28, and 29, under the appropriation for general repairs, so far as possible.

Art. 18. See article 17

Art. 19. See action under Article 17.

Art. 20. See action under Article 17.

Art. 21. See action under Article 17.

Art. 22. Voted unanimously: That there be appropriated the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000. —) dollars for the purpose of purchasing three fire trucks, if found wise, for the fire department and to meet the said appropriation there be raised in the tax levy of 1924 the sum of \$2,000. —, and that the treasurer, with the approvable of the selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$8,000. —, and to issue bonds or notes therefor, payable in accordance with Section 19 and Chapter 44, General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than

four years. That the purchase of said trucks and their location in town be left to a committee of nine, consisting of the board of selectmen, the three chief fire engineers and three citizens of Acton, to be appointed by the moderator, one from each precinct. The moderator appointed as members of the committee: Precinct 1, J. Sidney White; Precinct 2, Fred L. Burke; Precinct 3, Edgar H. Hall.

Art. 23. Voted: That a committee of five be appointed by the moderator and that the sum of \$200. - be appropriated to meet any expenses incurred by said committee.

The moderator appointed the following committee: William Rawitser, chairman; George A. Richardson, Clarence M. Howard, Waldo C. Whitcomb, Arthur H. Emerson.

Art. 24. Voted: That thirty days from this date the town discontinue the public health nursing service.

Voted: That the automobile used by the town nurse be turned over to the selectmen to be disposed of as they see fit.

Art. 25. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$500. -

Art. 26. See action under Article 17.

Art. 27. Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. 28. See action under Article 17.

Art. 29. See action under Article 17.

Art. 30. Voted: That the name of Central square in West Acton be changed to Sidney

J. Edwards square and that the ex-servicemen be permitted to erect a tablet.

Art. 31. Voted: That the town accept and adopt Chapter 240, Acts of 1920, viz: "An act to permit under public regulation and control certain sports on the Lord's day".

Art. 32. Voted: To take up for joint consideration all articles relating to electric lighting, including Articles 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, and 42.

Voted: That action under the several articles be suspended until the committee appointed to investigate the situation has made its report, but not later than the next annual town meeting.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record, attest  
Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk

## Warrant for the Presidential Primary

April 29, 1924.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S.

To either of the constables of the town of Acton. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in primaries to meet in their respective voting places, in said town to wit: Precinct 1, Town Hall. Precinct 2, Universalist Church. Precinct 3, Fire House. Tuesday, the Twenty-ninth day of April, 1924, at 6 o'clock P.M., for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

7 Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

7 Alternate Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

8 Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

8 Alternate Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional Dist.

2 Alternate <sup>District</sup> Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional Dist.

4 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional Dist.

4 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of Democratic Party 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional Dist.

The polls will be open from 6 to 9 P.M. and you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as

directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of April, A.D. 1924.

Murray Brown } selectmen of  
Harry B. Morse }  
Albert G. Jenks } Acton

John T. Mc Niff Constable  
April 19, 1924.

## Record of the Primary Election

April 29, 1924.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

	Prec 1, Prec 2, Prec 3, Total			
Republican Party				
Delegates at Large				
Group				
Channing H. Cox	44	29	41	114
Henry Cabot Lodge	44	28	41	113
Fredrick H. Gillett	43	28	40	111
William M. Butler	44	27	40	111
John H. Sherburne	43	27	41	111
Anna C. Bird	43	27	40	110
Jessie A. Hall	43	28	40	111
Alternate Delegates				
at Large				
Pauline A. Thayer	42	28	40	110

Totals Brought forward.	Prect 1.	Prect 2.	Prect 3.	
Elizabeth Putnam	41	27	39	107
Charles W. Innes	43	27	40	110
John Jacob Rogers	43	28	35	106
Robert M. Stevens	42	27	37	106
Mary B. Browne	41	28	38	107
Spencer Borden, Jr.				
District Delegates Fifth Dist.				
Charles L. Smith	42	27	40	109
Kimball L. Colby	41	27	40	108
Alternate Dist. Delegates 5th Dist.				
Victor Francis Jewett	41	27	35	103
Charles P. Howard	42	27	37	106

## Democratic Party.

## Delegates at Large.

## Group.

David I. Walsh	2	2	5	9
Arthur Lyman	2	0	4	6
Joseph B. Ely	2	1	4	7
John T. Loherty	2	1	5	8
Helen A. MacDonald	2	1	1	4
Susan H. Fitzgerald	2	1	0	3
Rose Herbert	2	1	3	6
Mary E. Mechan	2	1	4	7

## Not Group.

Charles W. Cole	0	2	4	6
Alternate Delegates at Large.				
Arthur J. B. Cartier	1	1	2	4
William A. O'Hearn	1	1	3	5
Jeremiah J. Kealy	1	1	2	4
Edward C. Ginsburg	1	1	2	4
Dorothy Whipple Terry	1	1	2	4
Mary H. Quincy	1	1	3	5
Anne O'Keefe Kefferman	1	1	2	4
Mary Bacigalupo	1	0	1	2

## Not Group.

William H. Doyle	1	2	2	5
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## Totals Brought Forward

## District Delegates Fifth District

Andrew C. Barrett	0	0	2	2
Patrick H. Cox	1	0	1	2
John H. Daly	1	1	1	3
James W. Gilbride	1	0	1	2
Bernard J. Golden	0	0	2	2
Katherine H. McCarthy	0	1	2	3
Peter P. McMenimon	0	1	1	2
Humphrey O'Sullivan	1	2	3	6
Walter H. Walcott	0	0	2	2

## Alternate Dist. Delegates Fifth District

Michael H. Hoar	0	1	3	4
John J. Mullane	0	0	3	3
J. V. Hennessy	0	0	5	5

a true record attest

Horace F. Tuttle

Town Clerk.

Warrant for a Special Meeting  
 May 19, 1924  
 Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 Middlesex, S.S.  
 To either of the Constables of the  
 Town of Acton, in said County,  
 Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said Town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, May 19th 1924, at 8 o'clock in the evening by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said nineteenth day of May. Then and there to act upon the following articles:

- Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to confirm the vote passed on March 10th 1924, under Article 22 of the warrant for the annual town meeting, appropriating \$20,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing fire department equipment and authorizing the borrowing of \$8,000.00, said sum to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 144, General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than four years.
- Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to confirm the vote passed on March 10th 1924, under Articles 17, 18, 19, and 20 of the warrant for the annual town meeting, appropriating

\$23,550.00 for the purpose of rebuilding roads in the town as asked for in the above articles, and authorizing the borrowing of \$18,780.00 said sum to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 144, General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than four years.

- Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to instruct the State Commissioners to install a hydrant on Central Street in West Acton near the residence of Dr. F. E. Tasker.
- Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase additional fire hose, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to change the names of School St. (from Mass. Ave. to Arlington St.) or do or act anything thereon.
- Art. 6. To hear the report of the committee appointed at the town meeting March 10th 1924 under Article 23 to investigate the electric lighting situation, and do or act anything thereon.
- Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting aforesaid. Given under our hands at Acton this seventh day of May 1924.

Murray Brown  
 Harry B. Morse.  
 Albert R. Jenks.  
 Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify, that I have served the  
 within warrant, by posting, attested copies thereof,  
 as therein directed

John T. McNeill Constable  
 Acton, May 1924

Proceedings of a Special Meeting.  
 May 19, 1924.

- Art. 1. Voted, unanimously: That the town confirm the vote passed on March 10, 1924, under Article 22 of the warrant for the annual town meeting, appropriating \$10,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing fire department equipment and authorizing the borrowing of \$8,000.00, said sum to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 44, General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than four years.
- Art. 2. Voted, unanimously: That the town confirm the vote passed on March 10, 1924, under Articles 17, 18, 19, and 20 of the warrant for the annual town meeting, appropriating \$23,550.00 for the purpose of rebuilding roads in the town as asked for in Articles 17, 18, 19, and 20, and authorizing the borrowing of \$8,750.00; said sum to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 44, General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than four years.
- Art. 3. Voted: That the water commissioners be instructed to place a hydrant on Central street near the residence of Dr. F. E. Tasker.
- Art. 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars for the purchase of fire hose.

Art 5. Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art 6. Voted: To receive the report as a report of progress. *Read, to adjourn. A true record, attested*  
*Horace F. Tuttle. Town Clerk.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the constables of the Town of Acton in the County aforesaid; Greeting:-  
 In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Acton who are qualified to vote at elections therein to meet in the several polling places in their respective precincts, to wit; Precinct 1. Town Hall, Precinct 2. Universalist Church, South Acton, Precinct 3. Fire House. Next Acton on Tuesday the fourth day of November, 1924 at 6.30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the precinct officers of their respective precincts, their votes on one ballot for Presidential Electors; Governor; Lieut. Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney General; Senator in Congress; Congressman for the Fifth Congressional District; Councillor for the sixth District; Senator for the seventh District; one Representative in the General Court for the Eleventh Middlesex District, Two County Commissioners for Middlesex County; Register of Probate and Insolvency; County Treasurer; also to vote yes or no on the following questions:

Acceptance of the following "Proposed Amendment to the Constitution."

Article of Amendment.

Article III. of the Amendments to the Constitution as amended, is hereby further amended by

striking out, in the first line, the word "male".  
 Article of Amendment.

Section I. No person shall be deemed to be ineligible to hold state, County or municipal office by reason of sex.

Section II. Article IV of the articles of amendment of the constitution of the commonwealth, as amended by Article XVII of said amendments, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "Change of name shall render the commission void, but shall not prevent reappointment under the new name," and inserting in place thereof the following words: - Upon the change of name of any woman, she shall re-register under her new name and shall pay such fee therefor as shall be established by the general court.

Also to vote yes or no on the acceptance of the following: Laws submitted upon referendum after passage.

Acceptance of Chap. 370, Acts of 1923, entitled "An Act relative to intoxicating liquors and certain non-intoxicating beverages."

Acceptance of Chap. 454, Acts of 1923, entitled "An Act to provide funds toward the cost of construction and maintenance of highways and bridges by means of an excise tax on gasoline and other fuel used for propelling motor vehicles upon or over the highways of the commonwealth."

Acceptance of Chap. 473, Acts of 1923, entitled "An Act relating to deposits with others than banks."

Acceptance of Chap. 210, Acts of 1924, entitled "An Act to ascertain the will of the people with reference to the retention of the daylight saving law, so called."

Acceptance of Chap. 509, Acts of 1924, entitled "An Act to ascertain the opinion of the people of the commonwealth as to the ratification of the proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States empowering the Congress to limit, regulate and prohibit the labor of persons under eighteen years of age."

The polls will be open at 6.30 o'clock in the morning and may be closed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at each and all of the several precincts.

And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the places as directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meetings. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or selectmen as soon as may be. Given under our hands in Acton this twenty third day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty four.

Murray Brown, Selectmen  
Harry B. Morse  
Albert R. Jenks of Acton.

## Record of the State Election

Nov. 4, 1924.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and title of the office for which he was proposed.

Party designations D. Democratic, S. Socialist Labor, L. Socialist, R. Republican.

Whole number of ballots cast.				959
President and Vice President	Oct. 1.	Oct. 11.	Oct. 11.	Total
Coolidge and Dawes, R.	216	258	323	797
Davis and Bryson, D.	18	40	27	85
Foster and Little, S. L.	0	0	0	0
Johns and Reynolds, L.	0	0	0	0
La Follette & Wheeler, P.	8	22	6	36
Blanks	13	15	13	41
Governor				
John J. Ballam, R. P.	1	1	0	2
James M. Curley, D.	31	72	37	140
Alvan T. Fuller, R.	212	245	318	775
James Harp, S. L.	0	3	0	3
Walter S. Hutchins, S.	0	1	0	1
Blanks	11	13	14	38
Lieutenant Governor				
Frank L. Allen, R.	215	235	305	755
John J. Cummings, D.	22	54	32	108
Arthur A. Cunningham, S. L.	0	2	0	2
Thomas Nicholson, S.	0	0	0	0
Edward Hand Stevens, R. P.	1	5	0	6
Blanks	17	39	32	88

Secretary.	Pch I.	Pch II.	Pch III.	Total
Frederick St. Cook, R.	214	227	294	735
Hinfield Sawyer, St. P.	0	15	0	15
Samuel Leger, S. L.	0	2	0	2
N. Oscar Rochekaw, D.	18	36	27	81
Edith Williams, S.	0	3	0	3
Blanks.	23	52	48	123
Treasurer				
Michael L. Eisner, D.	19	43	29	91
Patrick W. Loftus, S. L.	0	1	0	1
Louis Marcus, S.	0	3	0	3
Albert Oddie, St. P.	0	2	0	2
William S. Youngman, R.	208	229	283	720
Blanks.	28	57	57	142
Auditor				
Strabo V. Claggett, D.	47	82	68	197
Alonzo B. Cook, R.	168	186	241	595
Sidore Harris, S. L.	1	2	0	3
James J. Lacey, St. P.	0	2	0	2
Dennis F. Reagan, S.	1	2	0	3
Blanks.	38	61	60	159
Attorney General				
Jay R. Benton, R.	211	232	279	722
Harry J. Canter, St. P.	1	1	0	2
Frederick Felcher, S. L.	0	2	1	3
John Keaven Sherman, S.	0	1	0	1
John E. Swift, D.	20	44	29	93
Blanks.	23	35	60	138
Senator in Congress				
Frederick W. Gillett, R.	196	207	272	675
Antoinette F. Konikow, St. P.	0	2	0	2
David S. Kelsh, D.	44	96	77	217
Blanks.	15	30	20	65
Congressman - Fifth District				
Humphrey O'Sullivan, D.	19	46	33	98
John Jacob Rogers, R.	216	248	254	718
Blanks.	20	41	82	143

Councillor, Sixth Dist.	Pch I.	Pch II.	Pch III.	Total
Bernard J. Golden, D.	19	45	30	94
Charles S. Smith, R.	208	223	272	703
Blanks.	28	67	67	162
Senator, Seventh Middlesex Dist.				
John J. Kealey, D.	16	48	28	92
Charles P. Howard, R.	205	222	279	706
Blanks.	34	65	62	161
Representative, in General Court Seventh Middlesex Dist.				
Longdon Proctor, R.	199	225	283	707
Blanks.	56	110	86	252
County Commissioners, Middlesex				
Alfred L. Cutting, R.	178	193	246	617
Walter C. Wardwell, R.	193	194	205	592
Blanks.	169	103	101	373
Register of Probate and Insolvency, Middlesex				
John J. Butler, D.	18	44	42	104
Charles F. Harris, R.	199	212	251	662
Blanks.	38	79	76	193
County Treasurer, Middlesex				
Charles E. Hatfield, R.	205	225	272	702
Daniel F. McBride, D.	20	42	25	87
Blanks.	30	68	72	170
Question I. Relative to Qualifications for State Officers.				
Yes.	120	155	144	419
No.	51	57	61	169
Blanks.	73	118	148	339
Question II. Relative to Notary Public Commission				
Yes.	128	152	151	431
No.	54	65	70	189
Blanks.	73	118	148	339
Question III. Relative to Intoxicating Liquor				
Yes.	151	145	147	443
No.	65	107	106	278
Blanks.	39	83	116	238

## Question 4. Relative to Tax on Gasoline.

	Pct I.	Pct II.	Pct III.	Total
Yes.	65	88	98	251
No.	128	146	140	414
Blanks.	62	101	131	294

## Question 5. Relative to Deposits of Money

Yes.	122	138	134	394
No.	28	48	51	127
Blanks.	105	149	184	438

## Question 6. Relative to Daylight Saving

Yes.	75	103	130	308
No.	139	173	189	501
Blanks.	41	59	50	150

## Question 7. Relative to Child Labor Amendment

Yes.	52	62	69	183
No.	166	206	225	597
Blanks.	37	67	75	179

## Vote for Representative in the Eleventh Middlesex District

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Tyringboro	Westford	Total
Langdon Pro vty Littleton	707	379	130	438	470	276	569	3396
F. B. Priest, of Littleton					1			1
John B. Gray, of Westford							1	1
Blanks.	252	242	54	909	51	56	371	1961
	459	619	184	2296	522	332	967	5899

A true record. attest  
 Horace F. Tuttle  
 Town Clerk.

Warrant for State Primary Sept 9, 1924  
 The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
 Middlesex S.S.

To either of the Constables of the  
 Town of Acton.

## Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth  
 you are hereby required to notify and  
 warn the inhabitants of said town  
 who are qualified to vote in Primaries  
 to meet in their respective voting  
 places in said town, to wit: Precinct  
 I. Town Hall, Precinct II. Universalist  
 Church, South Acton, Precinct III. Fire  
 House West Acton, on Tuesday, the  
 ninth day of September, 1924 at 6-30  
 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes  
 To bring in their votes to the Primary  
 officers for the nomination of  
 Candidates of Political Parties  
 for the following officers:

Governor for this Commonwealth  
 Lieutenant Governor " "  
 Secretary of the Commonwealth "  
 Treasurer and Receiver General "  
 Auditor of the Commonwealth "  
 Attorney-General " "  
 Senator in Congress " "  
 Representative in Congress for 5th Dist.  
 Councillor " 6 Councillors  
 Senator for 7th Senatorial Dist.  
 One Representative in General Court 11th Representative "  
 County Commissioners (2) for Middlesex County  
 Register of Probate and Insolvency " "  
 County Treasurer "  
 And for the Election of the following  
 officers:  
 District members of State Committee  
 for each political party for the

7th. Senatorial District.

15 Members of the Republican Town Committee

5 Members of the Democratic Town Committee

2 Delegates to State Conventions of the Republican Party.

Delegates to State Conventions of the Democratic Party.

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from 6.30 P. M. to 8.30 P. M. And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting Given under our hands this first day of September, A. D. 1924.

Murray Brown } Selectmen  
Harry B. Morse } of Acton.  
Albert R. Jenks }

A true copy.

Attest John T. McNiff  
Constable.

A Record of State Primary Sept. 9, 1924.  
At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton, held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

# Candidates for the Republican Party.

	Pct I	Pct II	Pct III	Total
Whole no. ballots cast	90	62	150	302
Governor				
Alvan T. Fuller	33	27	50	110
James Jackson	56	33	99	188
Blanks	1	2	1	4
Lieutenant Governor				
Frank L. Allen	83	59	142	284
Blanks	7	3	8	18
Secretary				
Frederick H. Cook	78	59	137	274
Blanks	12	3	13	28
Treasurer				
Otis Allen	13	4	23	40
William A. Allen	2	2	8	12
James H. Bean	9	4	20	33
Fred J. Burrell	15	19	39	73
Horace A. Keith	10	4	2	16
Williams L. Youngman	25	23	39	87
Blanks	16	6	19	41
Auditor				
Herbert H. Burr	19	3	33	55
Alonzo B. Cook	33	37	76	146
Harold D. Wilson	25	18	24	67
Blanks	13	4	17	34
Attorney General				
Jay A. Benton	76	54	129	259
Blanks	14	8	21	43
Senator in Congress				
Louis A. Crofidge	18	9	23	50
Frederick H. Dallinger	21	22	35	78
Frederick H. Gillett	46	30	86	162
Blanks	5	1	6	12
Congressman Fifth Dist.				
John Jacob Rogers	81	58	110	249
Blanks	9	4	40	53

Councillor Sixth Dist.	Pct. I.	Pct. II.	Pct. III.	Total
Frank R. Bailey	14	6	11	31
Abel R. Campbell	8	5	7	20
Charles S. Smith	57	42	107	206
Blanks	11	9	25	45
Senator - Seventh Midd. Dist.				
Vernon H. Evans	47	23	76	146
Charles P. Howard	34	34	59	127
Blanks	9	5	15	29
Representative in General Court.				
Langdon Prouty	82	53	132	267
Blanks	8	9	18	35
County Commissioners				
William S. Andrew	26	16	37	79
Alfred L. Cutting	58	40	83	181
Andrew L. Hardwell	16	13	23	52
Walter C. Hardwell	39	25	57	121
Blanks	11			
Register of Probate and Insolvency.				
Arthur T. Coker	10	8	24	42
Charles H. Harris	35	29	55	119
Russell A. Hood	26	14	28	68
Blanks	29	11	43	83
County Treasurer.				
Charles E. Hatfield	80	52	120	252
Blanks	10	10	30	50
State Committee				
Chester H. Clark	65	47	103	215
Blanks	25	15	47	
Delegates to State Convention				
James A. Grimes	67	47	125	239
C. Esther Edney	65	41	125	231
C. J. Holton			125	125
Blanks				
Town Committee				
Marjorie H. Allen	76	40	114	230
Annie Blanchard	73	40	114	227
George S. Clapp	75	41	114	230

	Pct. I.	Pct. II.	Pct. III.	Total
Albert P. Dunkie	73	41	114	228
C. Esther Edney	73	41	114	228
James A. Grimes	73	40	114	227
Evangeline P. Hall	73	41	114	228
David C. Harris	71	35	114	220
Frank H. Hoyt	75	43	114	232
Charles J. Holton	73	37	114	224
Benjamin J. Ineson	73	41	114	228
Charles H. Mead	74	36	114	224
Ella L. Miller	74	40	114	228
Clara L. Sawyer	75	41	114	230
Horace F. Tuttle	74	41	114	229
Candidates for the Democratic Party				
No. of ballots cast	1	4	7	12
Governor				
James M. Curley	1	4	7	12
Lieutenant Governor				
Thomas J. Broynston	1	3	1	5
John J. Cummings	0	1	2	3
William A. O'Hearn	0	0	2	2
Blanks	0	0	2	2
Secretary				
H. Oscar Rochebeau	1	3	6	10
Blanks	0	1	1	2
Treasurer				
Michael L. Eisner	1	3	6	10
Blanks	0	1	1	2
Auditor				
Blanks				
Attorney General				
John E. Swift	1	3	5	9
Blanks	0	1	2	3

Senator in Congress.				
David L. Walsh	1	4	7	12
Blanks				0
Congressman Fifth Dist.				
Humphrey O. Sullivan	1	4	7	12
Blanks				0
Councillor				
None				
Representative in General Court				
None				
County Commissioners				
None				
Register of Probate and Insolvency				
John J. Butler	1	3	5	9
Blanks	0	1	2	3
County Treasurer				
Charles E. Hatfield	1	2	2	5
Daniel F. McBride	0	1	3	4
Blanks	0	1	2	3
State Committee				
None				
Delegates to State Convention				
David R. Kinsley	0	0	5	5
John Mannins	0	1	0	1
Blanks	1	3	2	6
Town Committee				
David R. Kinsley	0	0	6	6
G. P. Littlefield	0	0	6	6
John Sheehan	0	0	6	6
Harold Coughlin	0	0	6	6
Michael Foley	0	0	6	6
A true record, attest				
Horace F. Little				
Town Clerk				

## Warrant for a Special Meeting

Dec 18, 1924.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet at the town hall in said Acton on Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> 1924 at 8 o'clock P.M. by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting. Then and there to act on the following articles:

Art. I. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the overlay surplus a sum of money sufficient to meet the needs of the School Department for the year 1924 or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time appointed for said meeting Given under our hands at Acton this tenth day of December 1924.

Signed

Murray Brown  
Harry B. Mossey

A true copy attest

Albert R. Jenks  
Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have served  
the within warrant as therein directed  
Constable  
Acton Dec 14, 1924. John T. McPiff

Proceedings of a Special Meeting  
Held Dec. 18, 1924.

Voted Art. I. unanimously: To appropriate three  
thousand (\$3,000) dollars from the over-  
plus surplus to meet the needs of the school  
department for the year 1924.

A true record, attest  
Horse. F. Tuttle.  
Town Clerk

Warrant for the Annual Meeting  
March 9, 1925.  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex, ss.  
To either of the Constables of the Town  
of Acton, in said County.  
Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth  
of Massachusetts you are hereby required  
to notify the legal voters of said  
town of Acton, qualified to vote  
at town meetings for the transaction  
of town affairs, to meet in their  
respective precincts, to wit:  
Precinct I, Town Hall in said Acton.  
Precinct II, Universalist Church South Acton.  
Precinct III, Fire House West Acton, at  
12 o'clock noon, on Monday the second  
day of March 1925, by posting a copy  
of this warrant, by you attested, at  
each of the places as directed by vote  
of the town, seven days at least  
before the said second day of March.  
To bring in their votes on one ballot  
for the following town officers:  
One moderator for one year, one town  
clerk for one year, one selectman  
for three years, one assessor for three  
years, one assessor for one year (to  
fill vacancy) three overseers of the  
poor for one year, one treasurer for  
one year, one collector of taxes for  
one year, four constables for one year,  
two for school committee for three  
years, one for board of health for  
three years, one cemetery commissioner  
for three years, one trustee Memorial  
Library for three years, one tree warden

for one year, five for finance committee for one year, also on the same ballot with the above named town officers, to vote upon the following questions: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages, as defined in Section 1, of Chapter 138?"

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock P. M. you are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, March 9th at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. Then and there to act upon the following articles:

- Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.
- Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Art. 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.
- Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial Day.

- Art. 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.
- Art. 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.
- Art. 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the elm tree beetle and brown tail and gypsy moth.
- Art. 10. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st 1925, and to issue a note or notes, therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 12. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything

thereon.

- Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 or some other amount and elect a director, the money to be expended by and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension services, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 General Laws of Massachusetts.
- Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the fire shed at North Acton and the unused fire apparatus of the town.
- Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to borrow the sum of \$10,000.00 or any other amount by the issue of notes, to continue the construction of Main Street from a point opposite the residence of Frank E. Parsons to the State Road leading to Littleton provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 16. To see what action, if any, the town will take with regard to repairing that portion of School Street extending from Merriam's Corner at the Concord line or Harvard State Road.
- Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to lay new plank on the railroad bridge in South Acton and erecting 3,000 feet of fencing

within the town.

- Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to take care of the drainage on Massachusetts Ave. at Edwards Sq. in West Acton, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair Pearl Street in West Acton or take any action thereon.
- Art. 20. To see if the town will construct a drain along Woodbury Road, by the residences of Edward C. Wood and H. M. Robbins to take care of the overflow from the fountain on the town common or act anything thereon.
- Art. 21. To see if the town will lay out, build and accept as a public highway a section of land about 40 feet wide, leading from Massachusetts Ave. West Acton and following the old location of the Electric car line to a point where it enters the South Acton Road near house of Sidney L. Richardson or act anything thereon.
- Art. 22. To see if the town will appropriate and raise by taxation or issuing of notes or bonds a sum of money for the purpose of building the road as described in article No. 21, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to gravel and oil Willow St. in West Acton

from the residence of E. L. Hall to the Snow Line.

- Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 or any other amount to be expended in resurfacing, oiling, and draining of Arlington St. in West Acton from Central Street to Elm Street.
- Art. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to resurface Arlington St. in West Acton from Central St. to Summer St. or act anything thereon.
- Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to repair Red Acre Farm road in South Acton from the house of Benjamin Ineson to a point near the residence of Philip Newell or act anything thereon.
- Art. 27. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to gravel and oil Pope Road from the State Highway in East Acton to the brow of the hill, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to macadamize Maple St. in South Acton, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 29. To see if town will vote to erect a high school building in the vicinity of Kelly's Corner, and to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$100,000.00 to defray the cost of site and building, and to act anything thereon.

- Art. 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of erecting street signs or guide posts within the town.
- Art. 31. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to install a hydrant opposite the residence of Henry H. Bursaw or act anything thereon.
- Art. 32. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to renew the water hydrant contract.
- Art. 33. To see what action, if any the town will take in regard to the licensing of Roadside Stands within the town.
- Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to employ a Town Nurse and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expense of the same.
- Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to purchase a site and erect a fire house in Acton Center and appoint a committee to carry out the provisions of this article, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 36. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum not over \$500.00 for repairs on the South Acton Fire House or act anything thereon.
- Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to purchase a moving picture machine

and install a booth in the town hall or act anything thereon.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to insure the fire apparatus of the town against property and liability damage and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to draw up a code of By Laws governing the town and to report at a subsequent meeting.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to paint the interior of the Memorial Library or act anything thereon.

Art. 41. To see if the town will vote to grant the Selectmen the power of disposing of the old watering trough in South Acton or act anything thereon.

Art. 42. To see if the will vote to instruct the Selectmen to move the fountain in the square at South Acton over the site of the old watering trough if satisfactory agreement can be made with the water commissioners, and raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$50.00 to cover cost of same or act anything thereon.

Art. 43. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 the same being part of the amount returned to the town under the provisions of Chapter 480

of the Acts of 1924 (An act providing for the return to the cities and towns of certain surplus funds collected to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the War with Germany), for the purpose of placing a suitable foundation, base, bronze plate and otherwise reconditioning the Spanish War Memorial or act anything thereon.

Art. 44. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 the same being part of the amount returned to the town under the provisions of Chapter 480 of the Acts of 1924, for the purpose of placing a raised triangular Memorial Plaque in the Square at South Acton conforming with the lines of the street, and place a metal light post with light, using underground wiring, or act anything thereon.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote to renew the electric lighting contract with the American Woolen Company and instruct the Selectmen to sign the same or act anything thereon.

Art. 46. To see if the town will vote to install street lights and extend its line on Parker Road in South Acton from the residence of John E. Berglund to the Concord Road or School St.

Art. 47. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to contract for additional

street lighting in the business section of West Acton and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Art. 48. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights from the residence of Alonzo Joy on Willow street in West Acton to the residence of L. H. Sylvester.

Art. 49. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on Arlington Street in West Acton from Elm Street to the residence of James W. Perry.

Art. 50. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights from Crookers Corner on Massachusetts Avenue to a point 1300 feet east of the corner.

Art. 51. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 for the purpose of installing a heating plant and making certain repairs on the fire house in West Acton or act anything thereon.

Art. 52. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1650.00 for the purchase of a Fordson tractor and Dehr Grader to be used by the Road Department for road work, and clearing the roads of snow or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid. Given under our hands at Acton

this sixteenth day of February 1925.  
signed

Murray Brown

Harry B. Morse

Albert R. Jenks.

Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed  
John T. McNiff Constable.  
Acton, Mass. Feb. 24, 1925.

For record of election of town officers Mar 2, 1925.  
see page 343.

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting held  
March 9, 1925

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator Allen Brooks Parker.

Voted: that the moderator be authorized to exclude from the floor of the hall or from the gallery all persons, not entitled to vote, when in his discretion, the public safety requires it.

Voted: that the moderator be authorized to adjourn this meeting to another time and place when in his discretion the public safety may require it, filing with the town clerk forthwith his written order in the premises.

Art. I. Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at five eighths of one per cent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars per annum and the other members fifty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the treasurer be three hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the assessors be as follows: The chairman one hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum, the clerk one hundred dollars, and the other member seventy-five dollars.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be three hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salary of all other town officers.

Art. 2. Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.

Art. 3. Voted: To receive the report of the committee as a report of progress and that the committee be instructed to consider the matter further

and report at a future meeting.

Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to provide room for the safe keeping of the records of the town and that the sum of one thousand (\$1000) dollars be appropriated for such purpose. James B. Tuttle and Theron A. Lowden reported for the committee on a war memorial.

Voted: To receive the report of the committee as a report of progress.

The committee appointed to investigate the electric lighting situation reported through its chairman William Rawster.

Voted: To receive and accept the report of the committee and thank them for their gratuitous services in the matter.

Art. 3. The committee appointed by the selectmen to consider the matter of a town forest reported through its chairman Edgar H. Hall.

Voted: To receive the report of the committee. On motion of Frank F. Holden it was voted:

That a town forester be appointed by the selectmen and that the sum of (\$500) dollars be raised and appropriated for the use of said forester, that one hundred dollars of that sum be used for the purchase of pine trees to be given to any resident of Acton who has land suitable and will reforest the same, under the supervision of the forester. The other two hundred dollars to be used for the purchase of trees or any land which he may find available for the purpose of a town forest.

The report of the finance committee was presented by its chairman James B. Tuttle.

Art. 4. Under article 4 and other articles in the warrant for the annual meeting March 9.

1925, it was voted, to appropriate for	
Roads, maintenance	10000.00
Removal of snow	1200.00
Cutting brush	500.00
Removal of snow, sidewalks	200.00
Loans and interest	16300.00
Schools	48000.00
Memorial Library current expenses	700.00
Memorial Library books	200.00
Memorial Library special repairs	600.00
Hydrant service	3000.00
Forest fires	200.00
Street lighting	4850.00
Shade trees care of	400.00
General Government	3500.00
Treasurers and collectors bonds	225.00
Enforcement of liquor laws	327.54
Buildings and Grounds	800.00
Cemetery's	1000.00
Police department	800.00
Board of health	1000.00
Military aid	100.00
Reserve fund	1200.00
Unclassified	500.00
Demonstration work in agriculture	300.00
Overdraft 1924	403.68
Public records, care of	1000.00
Poor department	1294.98
Fire house Acton Center	2500.00
Town Nurse	2500.00
Spanish war memorial Art. 43.	600.00
Hose for fire department	300.00
Electric light in N. Acton Art. 47	80.00
Central street re-appropriation	400.00
	104980.60

Voted to raise and appropriate for	
Fire department maintenance	1000.00
Mo'th work	1088.65
Memorial Day	300.00
Insurance employees	300.00
Roadwork special	10000.00
Fire house South Acton	500.00
Street signs	500.00
Town Forest	300.00
Total	13788.65
Voted to raise for town charges	7500.00

Art. 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars.

Voted: That the moderator be instructed to appoint a committee to take in charge the expenditure of this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial day.

The moderator appointed the following committee.

Lowell H. Cram.	Theron G. Lowden
George L. Towne.	Charlotte Conant.
George B. Parker.	

Art. 6. Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than Oct 15, 1925 and on taxes remaining unpaid after Nov 1, 1925 interest shall be charged at the rate of six percent per annum from Oct 15, 1925 until such taxes are paid.

Art. 7. Voted: To raise and appropriate one thousand dollars.

Art. 8. Voted: To appropriate two hundred dollars.

Voted: That the forest warden fix the price to be paid for fighting brush fires.

- Art. 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate \$88.65
- Art. 10. Voted: That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1925 and to issue a note or notes, therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 11. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars.
- Art. 12. Voted: To appropriate two hundred and twenty five dollars.
- Art. 13. Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars Chose Frank H. Holden Director.
- Art. 14. Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to sell at auction the fire shed at North Acton and dispose of such other unused fire apparatus as they deem expedient.
- Art. 15. Voted: To pass over the article.
- Art. 16. Voted: To take up for joint consideration all articles relating to highways, namely articles 16 to 28 inclusive excepting articles 17, 21 and 22.  
Voted: To raise and appropriate \$10,000 for special work on roads, the said sum of money to be expended by the selectmen in cooperation with a committee consisting of Alden C. Flagg, Frederick L. Burke and Waldo E. Whitcomb
- Art. 17. Voted: to pass over the article.

- Art. 18. Action taken under Art. 16.
- Art. 19. Action taken under Art. 16.
- Art. 20. Action taken under Art. 16.
- Art. 21. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to lay out a public highway, forty feet wide, from Mass. Ave. in West Acton to the South Acton road near the residence of Sidney L. Richardson as stated in the article.
- Art. 22. Voted: to pass over the article.
- Art. 23. See action under art 16.
- Art. 24. See action under Art. 16.
- Art. 25. See action under Art. 16.
- Art. 26. " " " " "
27. " " " " "
28. " " " " "
- Art. 29. Voted: That the town erect a high school building in the vicinity of Kelley's Corner, and that the selectmen be and hereby are authorized and directed to petition for legislation to authorized the town to borrow the sum of \$50,000, outside the debt limit for said purpose.  
Voted: That the moderator be empowered to appoint a nominating committee of three, to present the names of six, two from each precinct to act as a building committee to report at this meeting if possible.  
The moderator appointed Charles T. Baxter, Frank H. Kolt, and Charles A. Denke a nominating committee.

The committee reported as follows:-  
 George A. Richardson, H. Stuart Allen,  
 Edgar H. Hall, Waldo E. Whitcomb  
 William Rawister, Frank Tooley.  
 The chairman to be chosen by the committee  
 Voted: To accept the report of the nominating  
 committee.

Art. 30. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of  
 \$600.

Art. 31. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to install a  
 hydrant at or near the residence of Henry  
 H. Bursaw

Art. 32. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to renew  
 the contract for hydrant service on such terms  
 as they shall deem best for the town.

Art. 33. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 34. Voted: That the town employ a town nurse to  
 be under the supervision of a special committee  
 to include Mrs. Eugene L. Hall, Mrs. William  
 Rawister, and Miss Charlotte Conant, in  
 conjunction with the school committee and  
 board of health and that the sum of twenty  
 five hundred dollars be appropriated for the  
 salary and expense of the same.

Art. 35. <sup>voted</sup> To appropriate \$2500, to erect a fire house in  
 Acton Center, on land owned by the town, at  
 or near the location of the present fire  
 house.

Art. 36. Voted: To raise and appropriate \$500.00

Art. 37. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 38. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 39. Voted: That the moderator appoint a committee  
 of three to draw up a code of by-laws and  
 report them at the next annual town  
 meeting. The moderator appointed George  
 A. Richardson, A. W. Kederstedt and Frank  
 H. Koit a committee.

Art. 40. Voted: To raise and appropriate \$600.00

Art. 41. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 42. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 43. Voted: That \$600 be appropriated from said  
 amount for the purpose stated in the article  
 and that a committee of three be appointed  
 by the moderator to carry out this vote.  
 The moderator appointed as a committee.  
 Theron A. Lowden, Allen B. Frost and Harry  
 B. Morse.

Art. 44. Voted to pass over the article.

Art. 45. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to renew  
 the contract with the American Thoolen  
 Company for the term of three years.

Art. 46. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 47. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to install  
 additional lights in the business section of  
 West Acton and to appropriate the sum of  
 eighty (80) dollars therefor.

Art 48. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art 49. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art 50. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art 51. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art 52. Voted: To pass over the article.

The following letter, from the chairman of the committee of arrangements, for the 19th of April celebration in Concord was read to the meeting by the moderator.

Nineteenth of April Committee.  
150th Anniversary of the Concord Fight.  
Concord Massachusetts.

Feb. 22, 1925.

To the inhabitants of Acton:—

April nineteenth will be the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Concord Fight, an event of world wide significance, in which the men of Acton had a principal part.

Young Captain Isaac Davis with his last words "Hav'n't a man that is afraid to go," still fresh from his lips and leading his Acton company at the head of the Provincial force, he and his neighbor, private Abner Hosmer, were the two brave heroes who gave up their lives at the Old North Bridge.

Mr. Lowell calls it.

"The Concord Bridge, which Davis when he came, found was the bee-line track to Heaven and Fame."

As Acton joined with Concord in that famous Fight as Acton joined with Concord in 1825, 1850 and 1875 in celebrating their common anniversary, as Concord joined with Acton

in the dedication of its monument in 1851 so we hope that Acton will be represented at the celebration this year in Concord not merely by its selectmen, but as in 1875 by a company of Minute men joining in the Parade.

For the Nineteenth of April Committee  
Prescott Keyes.

Chairman.

Voted: That the town of Acton accept the invitation of the town of Concord to be represented at the Celebration in Concord the coming 19th of April, Chose Charlotte Conant, Murray Brown, George A. Richardson, and Allen Brooks Parker, and Theron A. Lowden a committee to make such arrangements for the observance of the nineteenth of April as they may deem proper said committee to have power to add to their number and to solicit, collect and disburse money.

Voted: That the committee be instructed to invite the President of the United States, the Governor of Mass. and Ex Mayor John F. Fitzgerald. During the consideration of the matter, the moderator presented Ex Mayor John F. Fitzgerald of Boston who addressed the meeting.

Voted: to adjourn.

A true record, attest  
Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk.

## Warrant for a Special Town Meeting

April 2, 1925.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Thursday April 2nd at 7.45 o'clock in the evening. Then and there to act on the following articles.

Art. I. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the acquiring of land in the vicinity of Kelly's Corner for a school building and for the original equipment and furnishing of such building; authorize the borrowing of money under any authority of law authorizing the town to borrow for such purpose; raise by taxation; transfer from any available funds or to take any action relative thereto.

Art. II. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this twenty-fourth day of March 1925.

Signed Harry B. Moise.

Albert R. Jenks.

Selectmen of Acton

Murray Brown.

## Proceedings of Special Meeting.

April 2, 1925.

Meeting called to order at 7.45 by Allen B. Parker, moderator.

Art. I. Voted to pass over the article.

Art. II. Voted to pass over the article.

Voted to adjourn without date.

Attest: Edward, attest Horace F. Tuittle, Town Clerk

## Warrant for a Special Meeting

April 11, 1925.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Saturday April 11th, 1925 at 8.00 P.M. by posting a copy of this warrant by you attested at each of the places as directed by vote of the town. Then and there to act on the following articles.

Art. I. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the acquiring of land in the vicinity of Kelly's Corner for a school building, for the erection of a school building thereon; for the original equipment and furnishing of such building; authorize the borrowing of money under any authority of law authorizing the town to borrow for such purpose, raise by taxation, and transfer from any available funds, or to

take any action relative thereto.

Art. II. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at <sup>and</sup> previous meeting.

Art. III. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for erecting fencing within the town.

And of fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this first day of April 1925.

Signed

Harry B. Morse

Albert R. Jenks

Murray Brown

Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed.

John T. McNiff Constable of Acton  
Acton Mass. April 3, 1925.

Proceedings of a Special Meeting  
held April 11th 1925.

Art. I. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for <sup>the</sup> acquiring of land in the vicinity of Kellys Corner, for a school building, for the erection of a school building thereon, for the original equipment and furnishing of such building, authorize the borrowing of money under any authority of law authorizing the town to borrow for such purpose; raise by taxation, and transfer from any available funds or to take any action relative thereto.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars for the purpose of acquiring land in the vicinity of Kellys Corner, consisting of 3 1/2 acres, more or less, bounded and described as follows: Southerly by Massachusetts avenue 400 feet, Westerly by Charter road, 317 3/4 feet, Northerly by land of the heirs of St. F. Kelly 503 2/3 feet, Easterly by land of the heirs of St. F. Kelly 300 feet for school purposes; and for the erection and for the original equipment and furnishing of a school building and that the selectmen be and are hereby authorized and instructed to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise the land above described, and to meet said appropriation, that there be transferred from the Town Farm fund and from the Napgood fund the sum of \$21,063.00 plus accrued interest and premium, that there be raised in the tax levy of the current year the sum of \$500. and the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$500. under authority of and in accordance with the provision of

Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1925 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of said act and of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so the amount so borrowed shall be paid in not more than fifteen years and the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be further authorized to borrow the sum of \$25000. under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19 of Chapter 44 so the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty (20) years from the date of issue, that the Building Committee named at the annual town meeting be a building committee with full authority to construct, equipment, and furnish a school building herein authorized; that said committee may make contracts and may do such things as may be necessary for such purpose, but no liability shall be incurred in excess of the appropriations remaining after the acquiring of the land herein authorized.

The vote was taken by ballot.

Total number of ballots cast 394

Yes	332
No	60
Blanks	2

Art. II. Mr. Murray Brown reported for the committee on enlarging the town house and on his motion it was voted; That the vote passed at the annual meeting March 10, 1924, whereby the town voted to appropriate the sum of \$7500. for the purpose of building an addition to the town house and accepted the offer of \$1000.00 from the Acton Agricultural Association, be

rescinded, and that the committee appointed to build this addition be discharged, that the sum of \$500. be appropriated for the purpose of repairing and painting the present town house and renovating the heating plant and that the selectmen be instructed to carry out this vote.

Art. 3. Voted: To appropriate \$1000. for fencing.

Voted, to adjourn.

A true record, attest

Horace F. Tuttle, Town Clerk.

Warrant for a Special Meeting held

May 9, 1925.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County.

Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said Town of Acton qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on

Saturday May 9th, 1925. at 800 P.M.

Then and there to act on the following article.

Art. I. To see if the town will rescind the vote passed at the annual meeting March 4, 1925 whereby it was voted to erect a Fire House in Acton Center on land owned by the town, at or near the location of the present Fire House and vote to erect said Fire House on land owned by the town, near the east end of the tennis court.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon

to the town clerk as or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid. Given under our hands at Acton, this thirtieth day of April 1925.

Signed

Harry B. Morse.

Albert R. Jenks.

Murray Brown.

Selectmen of Acton.

A true copy attest John T. McNiff Constable.

Proceedings of Special Meeting held  
May 4, 1925.

Art. 1. Voted: That we rescind the vote to place the fire house at or near the present one and that it be placed at the Easterly end of the tennis court on the town land.

Voted, to adjourn

A true record, attest

Horace F. Trickett.

Town Clerk.

Warrant for Special Primary Election.

Congressman-Fifth District. Held

June 16, 1925.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton,  
Greeting:—

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries, to meet in their respective voting places in said town, to wit:—

Those residing in Precinct I, at the Town Hall in said Acton. Those residing in Precinct II, in the Universalist Church at South Acton. Those residing in Precinct III at the Fire House in West Acton, on Tuesday the sixteenth day of June, 1925, at six o'clock P.M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:—

One Representative in Congress, for the Fifth <sup>Congressional</sup> District, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Jacob Rogers. The polls will be open from 6 P.M. to 9 P.M. And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of said meetings.

Given under our hands this fifth day of June, A.D. 1925.

Harry B. Morse, Albert R. Jenks, and  
Murray Brown. Selectmen of Acton.

# Record of the Special Primary Election.

June 16, 1925.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration there of made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

	Pct. I.	Pct. II.	Pct. III.	Total
Republican Party				
Congressman-Fifth Dist.				
George H. Brown	1	1	1	3
James Wilson Primes	14	22	38	74
Edith Mourse Rogers	41	31	52	124
Blanks	1	0	0	1
Democratic Party				
Eugene W. Fross.	1	3	9	13
Blanks	1	0	0	1

A true record, attested.

Coram. F. Tuttle. Town Clerk.

## Warrant for Special Election

held June 30, 1925.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in the County aforesaid: Greeting:-

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed and required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Acton who are qualified to vote at elections therein to meet in the several polling in their respective precincts, to wit: Precinct I. Town Hall, Precinct II. Universalist Church, South Acton, Precinct III. Fire House, West Acton on Tuesday the thirtieth day of June 1925

at 6.30 o'clock in the forenoon then and thence to bring in to the precinct officers of their respective precincts, their votes on one ballot for one Congressman for the Fifth Congressional District (to fill a vacancy).

The polls will be open at 6.30 o'clock in the morning and may be closed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at each and all of the several precincts. And you are hereby commanded to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the places as directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meetings.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk or selectmen at or before the time of said meetings.

Given under our hands in Acton this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty five.

Harry B. Mose

Albert R. Jenks.

Murray Brown.

Selectmen of Acton.

## Record of Special Election.

June 30, 1925.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and title of office for which he was proposed.

Party designations R. for Republican and D. for Democratic. Congressman Fifth District

	Pct. I.	Pct. II.	Pct. III.	Total
Eugene M. Foss. D.	3	5	13	21
Edith B. Rogers R.	47	60	71	178

A true record. Attest

Horace F. Tuttle

Town Clerk.

Warrant for a Special Town Meeting held October 2, 1925.  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex S.S.  
(Seal)

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in said County.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said Town of Acton, qualified to vote at Town meetings for the transaction of Town affairs, by posting a copy of this warrant by you attested, one in each of the Post Offices and Railroad Stations, one at the Nagog House and one in each of the stores of C. H. Mead & Co, George H. Reed, Strong and Tracy, M. C. Taylor & Co, J. S. Moore and Kinney & Hoyt, seven days at least before the said meeting, to meet at the Town Hall in said Acton on Friday October 2, at 8 o'clock in the evening. Then and there to act on the following articles.

Art. I. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money raised for rebuilding Central Street, and authorize the borrowing of the balance of the appropriation made in 1924 for said purpose, the same borrowed to be paid in not more than three years.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty  
second day of September 1925.

Signed Harry B. Morse  
Albert R. Jenks.  
Murray C. Brown  
Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have served the  
within warrant by posting attested copies thereof  
as therein directed.

John T. McPuff, Constable of Acton  
Acton, Mass. Oct 1, 1925.

Proceedings of a Special Meeting held  
October 2, 1925.

The meeting was opened by the moderator  
Allen B. Parker at eight o'clock.

Art. 1. Voted Unanimously:

That the Town appropriate the money  
raised for rebuilding Central Street and  
authorize the borrowing of the balance of  
the appropriation made in 1924 for said  
purpose, the sum borrowed to be paid in  
not more than three years.

Voted: To adjourn.

A true record, attest

Horace F. Tuttle.

Town Clerk.

## Record of the Town Election March 2, 1925

A legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town  
of Acton, held March 2, 1925, in accordance  
with the foregoing warrant all the ballots  
given in were counted, recorded and declaration  
made as by law directed and the following  
is a true record of the names of all persons voted for  
the title of the office for which they were proposed  
and the number of votes for each person.

	Prec 1.	Prec 2.	Prec 3.	Total
Whole number of ballots cast.	93.	173	244.	510
Moderator, one year.				
Allen Brooks Parker.	84	154	221	459
sworn by, town clerk.				
Town Clerk				
Horace F. Tuttle 1 year	88	146	229	463
sworn by the moderator				
Selectman, three years				
Murray Brown	90	142.	223.	455
sworn March 1925 by Town clerk.				
Assessor, three years.				
Warren H. Jones.	83.	131.	211.	425.
sworn by Town clerk.				
Assessor (to fill vacancy) one year.				
Arthur W. Emerson	78	125	194	397.
sworn by Town clerk.				
Officers of the Po. (one year)				
Murray Brown.	88	139	218	445
sworn by Town clerk.				
Albert R. Jenks.	77	136	214	427
sworn by Town clerk.				
Harry B. Morse.	84	140	208	432
Treasurer, one year.				
Frank W. Hoyt	90	143	225	458
sworn by Town clerk.				
Tax Collector one year.				
Charles A. Durkin.	85	143	217.	445
sworn by Town clerk.				
School Committee three years				
Edgar H. Hall.	83.	129	186	398
sworn by Town clerk.				

	Pre. 1.	Pre. 2.	Pre. 3.	Total
School Committee three years.				
Mary L. Richardson	73	129	203	405
Constables four, for one year				
Driggs Jossio A.	31	45	96	172
Trust. Alan B. sworn by	83	119	191	393
Town Clerk Mar 3, 1925				
Foley Michael sworn by	65	136	122	323
F W Hoyt J. P.				
Laird Lossio E.	28	43	88	159
M <sup>c</sup> Niff John T. sworn	64	117	151	335
by town clerk				
Wood Oliver D.	78	116	171	365
Cemetery Commissioner 3 years				
Horace F. Tittle	88	139	220	447
Board of Health three years				
George H. Tittle sworn	85	130	204	419
by Town Clerk				
Trustee of Memorial Library				
Horace F. Tittle	87	142	215	444
Tree Warden				
James O. Neil sworn	83	138	191	412
by town clerk				
Finance Committee one.				
Edgar H. Hall	85	128	194	407
Frank W. Hoyt	85	142	206	433
William Ravitsen	83	129	200	412
George A. Richardson	84	134	201	419
James B. Tittle	85	131	192	408

A true record, attest

Horace F. Tittle

Town Clerk.

# Warrant for the Annual Meeting March 8, 1926.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town  
of Acton, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts, you are hereby required  
to notify the legal voters of said town  
of Acton, qualified to vote at town  
meetings for the transactions of town  
affairs, to meet in their respective  
precincts, to wit:

Precinct I. Town Hall in said Acton.  
Precinct II. Universalist Church, South Acton.  
Precinct III. Fire House, West Acton, at  
12 o'clock noon, on Monday, the first day  
of March, 1926, by posting a copy of  
this warrant by you attested, one in  
each of the postoffices and railroad  
stations in the town, one at the Nagog  
House, and one in each of the stores of  
C. H. Mead & Co, George H. Reed, Strong &  
Tracy, M. E. Taylor & Co, J. S. Moore, and  
Finney & Hoyt, seven days at least before  
the said first day of March. To bring  
in their votes on one ballot for the  
following town offices: A Moderator for  
one year, a Town Clerk for one year,  
one selectmen for three years, one  
assessor for three years, three overseers of the  
poor for one year, four Constables for one  
year, two for school Committee for three  
years, one for board of health for three  
years, one cemetery commissioner for one  
year (to fill vacancy), one cemetery commissioner  
for three years, one trustee of Memorial

library for three years, one tree warden for one year, five for finance committee for one year.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon and close at 7 o'clock p.m.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, March 8, at nine o'clock in the forenoon. Then and there to act upon the following articles:

- Art. I. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. II. To see if the town will accept the reports of the several town officers.
- Art. III. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting.
- Art. IV. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.
- Art. V. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the observance of Memorial day.
- Art. VI. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. VII. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown tail and gypsy moth.
- Art. VIII. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.

Art. IX. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasurer's and collectors' bonds, or act anything thereon.

Art. X. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1926, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote, to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. XI. To see if the town will employ a town nurse and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expense of the same.

Art. XII. To see if the town will vote to purchase the two snow plows owned by the South Acton Improvement Association for the sum of fifty dollars.

Art. XIII. To see what action the town will take towards removing the fountain from Zimby Square and connecting the town water to the old stone fountain and installing a bubbler thereon.

Art. XIV. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars, the same being part of the amount returned to the town under the provisions of Chapter 480, of the Acts of 1924, for the purpose of placing a raised triangular memorial platen in the square at South Acton, conforming with the lines of the street, and place a metal light

post, using underground wiring for lights and otherwise re-conditioning the plot, or act anything thereon.

Art. XV. To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator or the selectmen to appoint a finance committee, in accordance with the provisions of law; or do or act anything thereon.

Art. XVI. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Patriots' day; or do or act anything thereon.

Art. XVII. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to instruct the Boston & Maine railroad to repair with permanent filling the following railroad crossings: Massachusetts avenue, Arlington St., and Central Street in West Acton.

Art. XVIII. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell a certain parcel of land owned by the town, situated on the road from South Acton to Maynard near the Acton-Maynard town-line, and formerly used as a gravel-pit; or act anything thereon.

Art. XIX. To see if the town will authorize a re-valuation of all taxable property in the town, choose a committee to carry out the provisions of this article and appropriate a sum of money for the expenses of the same, or act anything thereon.

Art. XX. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on Massachusetts avenue from Kelley's corner, so called, to Piper road and thence on said Piper road to the residence of Francis B. Farrar.

Art. XXI. To see if the town will raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of three thousand (\$3000.00) dollars for the purpose of grading the high school grounds; or act anything thereon.

Art. XXII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other amount and elect a director; the money to be expended by and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex county trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Sections 406 and 405, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Art. XXIII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000, to complete the construction of School street to the Concord line, providing the state and county will each give a like amount.

Art. XXIV. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000, or any other sum, the same to be expended in re-surfacing, draining and oiling Arlington street in West Acton, beginning at Central street and running easterly.

Art. XXV. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to grade, gravel and oil Carlisle road, from Main street, or Lowell road, in North Acton, by the North Cemetery to the Acton-Carlisle town-line; or take any action thereon.

Art. XXVI. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7500.00 or any other amount, by the issue of notes, or otherwise

to continue the construction of Main street from a point opposite the residence of Frank E. Parsons, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex; or act anything thereon.

Art. XXVII To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000. to continue the construction of Hollow street in West Acton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex; or act anything thereon.

Art. XXVIII To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to continue the construction of Central street in West Acton, providing a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex; or act anything thereon.

Art. XXIX To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. to gravel and oil the hill on Sudbury road from the Powder Mill office to the Sudbury and Acton town line.

Art. XXX To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000. to repair Elm street in West Acton, from Arlington street westerly to the residence of Ben. De Souza.

Art. XXXI To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended in making repairs on the road leading from the town common to the residence of Henry L. Priest, called Hoodbury lane; or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXII To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to repair and oil Rosmer

Street from Hoodlawn cemetery to Crookers corner.

Art. XXXIII To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200. for special repairs on Concord road from the church in Acton Center to Hoodlawn cemetery.

Art. XXXIV To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$500, provided the state and county each will give like amounts, for rebuilding Nagog Kill road, from Littleton line to Acton Center.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this nineteenth day of February, 1926.

Harry B. Morse,  
Albert R. Jenks,  
Mumay Brown,  
Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed.

John T. McPiff  
Acton Mass. Feb. 23, 1926. Constable of Acton

Record of Town Election.  
March 1, 1926.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for the title of the office the number of votes for each person.

	Pct. I.	Pct. II.	Pct. III.	Total
Whole number of ballots cast	38	67	70	175
Moderator, one year.				
Allen B. Parker	35	65	65	165
Sworn by town clerk				
Town Clerk, one year.				
Horace F. Tuttle	36	63	67	166
sworn by moderator				
Selectman, three years.				
Howard J. Billings	36	60	59	155
sworn by town clerk				
Assessor, three years.				
Arthur H. Emerson	30	56	57	143
sworn by town clerk				
Overseers of the Poor, one year.				
Howard J. Billings	32	63	58	153
sworn by town clerk				
Murray Brown	35	63	66	164
sworn by town clerk				
Albert R. Jenks	31	60	65	156
sworn by town clerk				
Treasurer, one year.				
Frank H. Voit	38	61	68	167
sworn by town clerk				
Tax Collector, one year				
Charles A. Durkee	34	60	64	158
sworn by town clerk				

	Pct. I.	Pct. II.	Pct. III.	Total
School Committee, three years.				
Lulu L. Clark	36	56	60	152
Spencer W. Taylor	34	55	57	146
sworn by town clerk				
Constables, one year.				
Jesse A. Briggs	29	52	55	136
sworn by moderator				
sworn by town clerk				
Alan B. Frost	31	52	54	137
John T. McNiff	32	61	57	152
Craig C. Sweet	31	60	53	144
sworn by town clerk				
sworn by Frank H. Voit J.P.				
Cemetery Commissioner, one year.				
Wendell F. Davis	36	56	57	149
sworn by town clerk				
Cemetery Commissioner, three years.				
Fred H. Green	36	54	66	156
sworn by town clerk				
Board of Health, three years.				
Raymond F. Durkee	35	57	61	153
sworn by town clerk				
Trustee of Memorial Library				
J. Sidney White	36	57	66	159
Tree Warden				
James O'Neil	34	58	64	156
sworn by town clerk				

A true record. Attest  
Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk.

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting  
held March 8, 1926.

The meeting was called to order by the  
moderator, Allen Brooks Parker.

Art. 1. Chose: Charlotte Conant. Trustee of the  
Goodnow Fund for three years.

Chose: Clarence D. Cram. Trustee of the  
Kuemans Relief fund for three years.

Chose: Warren V. Jones. Trustee of the  
Elizabeth White fund for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector  
at five-eighths of one per cent of the amount  
collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the  
selectmen be one hundred dollars per annum  
and the other members fifty dollars each.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be  
ten dollars per meeting.

Voted: That the salary of the overseer of the  
poor be seventy-five dollars per annum for the  
chairman and forty dollars each per annum  
for the other members.

Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer  
be three hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town  
accountant be three hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town clerk be  
one hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the  
assessors be three hundred and fifty dollars,  
the clerk three hundred and twenty-five dollars  
and the other member three hundred dollars  
per annum, the same to be full compensation  
for all duties required by law, including

clerical work and transportation.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the  
salaries of all other town officers.

Art. 2. Voted: That the town accept the land over  
which the Lowell, Maynard & Acton street  
railway had a right of way from Mass. Ave-  
nue to Central street near the residence of  
Sidney L. Richardson the same to be used  
as a public highway when accepted by  
the town.

Voted: To postpone further action in the  
matter until the next annual town meeting.  
A motion that the annual reports of the  
town accountant and school committee  
contain an itemized statement of the pay  
rolls of the Highway department and  
school expenditures did not prevail.

Voted: to accept the reports of the several  
town officers.

Art. 3. Voted: To accept the report of the nineteenth  
of April Committee.

Voted: to receive the unexpended balance  
in the hands of the committee, to be  
invested by the town treasurer as a  
fund to be used for future observance  
of the anniversary of this day.

Voted: To discharge the committee.

William Hewitt reported for the High  
School Building committee.  
On his motion, it was voted to appropriate  
\$689.84 from the Town Farm and Hapgood

funds for the use of said Building Committee.

George A. Richardson, chairman, reported for the committee on by-laws the following

By-Laws of The Town of Acton.  
adopted March 8, 1926

#### Section I.

- Art. 1. The annual town meeting for the election of town officers shall be held on the first Monday of March in each year.
- Art. 2. All business of the annual meeting, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined at such meeting, shall be considered at an adjournment thereof, which adjournment shall be held on the second Monday in March, at such hour as decided by the board of selectmen.
- Art. 3. The board of selectmen, board of health, fire department, police department, and the school committee, shall on or before February first of each year, submit to the committee on finance an estimate of the amount of money required for their various departments for the ensuing year and for what purposes.
- Art. 4. All bonds, contracts, and written agreements pertaining to the several departments shall be placed for safe-keeping in the custody of the town clerk, except as otherwise provided by law.
- Art. 5. All constructive work (excepting day work) amounting to more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and except on road work, shall be

advertised for bids by posting in the several post offices at least ten days before contracts are awarded.

#### Section II.

- Art. 1. The board of selectmen shall have the general direction and management of the property and affairs of the town in all matters not otherwise provided for by law, or by these by-laws.
- Art. 2. The selectmen after drawing a warrant for a town meeting shall immediately transmit a copy of such warrant to each member of the committee on finance.
- Art. 3. The board of selectmen shall cause to be posted by a constable of the town, a notice of every town meeting by attested copies, calling same, in not less than six public places in the town, to be designated by the selectmen and at least seven days before the day appointed for the meeting.
- Art. 4. No person who is a member of the board of selectmen shall hold any remunerative office by virtue of an appointment by such board.
- Art. 5. No person shall throw in any manner in any public way in the town, any article, substance, or material which may prove injurious in any respect to the hoofs of animals, or the rubber tires of automobiles and other vehicles.
- Art. 6. No person shall place, or cause to be placed, in any of the public streets

on sidewalks in the town, without the written license from the selectmen, any material whatever, or any rubbish of any kind and suffer same to remain for twenty-four hours.

Art. 7. No person shall break, or dig up the ground in any street for any purpose whatever, or set or place any fence, post, tree, or edgestone, or alter or change the position or direction of any fence, post, tree, or edgestone, or swing any door or gate, in, upon, or over, or change the grade or width of any public way without the written license of the selectmen, which shall prescribe the limitations or restrictions of such license.

Art. 8. The board of selectmen will issue licenses at their discretion as follows: Gas-filling stations, roadside stands, common victualers, all peddlers and junk dealers, all these subject to the rules and regulations of the board of selectmen.

Art. 9. The board of selectmen shall annually appoint a chief of police and such other police officers as they deem necessary and have the general supervision over the police department.

Art. 10. Automobiles and all other vehicles are subject to such rules as are made by the board of selectmen, which rules may be changed from time to time by the board when deemed necessary for the safety of the public.

#### Committee on Finance

##### Section 3.

Art. 1. There shall be appointed annually (by the board of selectmen) a committee

on finance, consisting of six voters of the town, two from each precinct.

Art. 2. No member of the finance committee shall serve on any other standing committee having the expenditure of town funds.

Art. 3. The committee on finance shall, as soon as possible after February first of each year, give a hearing to the several boards which shall submit to it, an estimate of the amount needed for their departments for the ensuing year.

#### Police Department.

##### Section 4

Art. 1. The chief of police shall be head of the police department and subject to the general supervision and control of the board of selectmen. He shall have control of the department, its officers and members, and special police officers when in the service of the department.

Art. 2. The police department shall be governed by the rules and regulations and perform such duties as are prescribed by the board of selectmen, or by the by-laws of the town.

Art. 3. No person having the charge of a vehicle in any street shall neglect or refuse to stop the same when directed by a police officer. No person shall stop his team, carriage, or other vehicle, or unnecessarily place any

obstruction on any foot crossing made in or across any public ways in the town.

- Art. 4. The police department shall be subject to all the rules and regulations and perform all duties which are now or hereafter prescribed by law, by the by-laws of the town, by the board of selectmen, or the rules and regulations of the police department. Any member of the department may be removed or suspended or otherwise disciplined by the board of selectmen, as provided by law.

### Fire Department Section 5.

- Art. 1. The town shall maintain a fire department and the selectmen shall annually appoint a chief engineer and three assistant engineers (one in each precinct) for the term of one year from the first day of April following. This board of engineers shall have the care and superintendence of all property appertaining to the fire department, as required by law.
- Art. 2. No person or persons shall allow combustible rubbish to accumulate upon any premises where same would cause a fire menace to their own or other persons' property. No person shall set, maintain, or increase a fire in the open, except by written permission of the fire warden, or one of his deputies, except as otherwise provided by law.
- Art. 4. The fire department under the direction of the chief engineer or an assistant engineer is hereby authorized to go to aid another town in extinguishing fires therein in accordance

with Chapter 48, General Laws and amendments thereof.

- Art. 3. Parking of vehicles is prohibited on any public way within fifteen feet of any hydrant.

### Board of Health.

#### Section 6

- Art. 1. The board of health shall make and publish from time to time such regulations as it deems necessary for public health and safety, and shall cause same to be printed in form for public distribution.
- Art. 2. The board of health shall annually make a report to be printed in the annual town report, showing in detail, statistics of the health and sanitary condition of the town with recommendations for its improvement, together with a full and comprehensive statement of its work during the previous year. Such report shall also contain a detailed statement of the amount expended by the board during the year.
- Art. 3. The board of health shall provide and maintain under their care and supervision some suitable place or places within a reasonable distance of the villages of the town for free public dumping, upon which the inhabitants of the town may dump or deposit ashes, cinders, papers or other refuse and rubbish in accordance with such rules and regulations as the board of health may from time to time make.

Art 4. No person unless having the authority so to do shall dump or deposit any ashes, rubbish, refuse, offal, or decayed animal or vegetable matter on any public or private land, contrary to the rules and regulations of the board of health.

Art 5. All persons keeping hogs within the limits of the town shall be subject to all rules and regulations of the board of health.

Art 6. These by-laws may be repealed or amended at any annual town meeting, or at any other town meeting specially called for the purpose, an article or articles for such purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting. These by-laws shall go into effect upon their acceptance by the town and legal requirements have been complied with.

Any person violating any of these by-laws shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars (\$20) for each offence.

Voted: To adopt the by-laws prepared and presented by the committee.

Art 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.

Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to appropriate from cash available in the town treasury for

Roads special work	6000
Roads general maintainance	10000
Roads removal of snow	3300
Street lighting	5500

Voted to appropriate for	
Planking railroad bridge So. Acton	\$ 1000
Cutting brush	400
Road Bonds	10525
High School Bonds	6000
School bonds interest	2960
Road bonds interest	111356
Revenue loans interest	1200
Schools	44000
High School grounds, grading	3000
Memorial Library current expenses	700
" " books	200
Hydrant service	3100
Forest fires	300
Fire department maintainance	1000
Fire department new hose	350
Shaded trees care of	400
General Government	3600
Enforcement of liquor laws	25304
Buildings and grounds	800
Cemeteries	1000
Woth work	126939
Memorial day	300
Police department	800
Board of health	1000
Military and State aid	200
Reserve fund	1200
Unclassified	500
Demonstration work in agriculture	300
Road department	1800
Town Nurse	2000
Insurance of employees	450
Town Forest	300
Assessors valuation printing	500
High School Building from Town	
Farm and Rapgood Funds	168984
	\$ 12074083
Voted to raise by taxation for town charges	\$ 70000

Art. 5. Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars.

Voted: That the moderator be instructed to appoint a committee to take in charge the expenditure of this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial day.

The moderator appointed the following committee  
Lowell H. Cram chairman

George L. Towne

George B. Parker

Donatus H. Benere

Charlotte Conant

Art. 6. Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1926 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1926 interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1926 until such taxes are paid.

Art. 7. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$1269.39 for moth work.

Art. 8. Voted: To appropriate \$450.—

Art. 9. Voted: To appropriate \$225.—

Art. 10. Voted: That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1926 and to issue a note or notes, therefore, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 11. That the town employ a town nurse to be under the supervision of a special

committee to include, Mrs. Eugene L. Hall, Mrs. William Rawitien and Miss Charlotte Conant, in conjunction with the school committee and board of health and that the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated for the salary and expense of the same.

Art. 12. Voted: To purchase the two snow plows for the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Art. 13. A motion that the selectmen be authorized to remove the fountain in Quimby square, connect the town water with the old stone fountain and install a bubbler thereon. did not prevail.

Art. 14. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 15. Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to appoint a finance committee of six members, two from each precinct.

Art. 16. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 17. Voted: That the selectmen be and are hereby instructed to take such steps as shall secure early action by the Boston and Maine railroad in establishing a permanent level roadway over their tracks in Acton, at Arlington Central and Martin streets and Massachusetts avenue, crossings, such levelling to be made between the several sets of tracks as well as between each set of rails, as now.

Art. 18. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to sell,

at their discretion, the land described in the article

Art. 19. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 20. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 21. Voted: To appropriate three thousand (3000) dollars for grading the high school grounds

Art. 22. Voted: To appropriate \$300.  
Voted: That the selectmen appoint a director.

Art. 23. Voted: To appropriate for general maintenance of roads and bridges \$10,000—

Voted: To appropriate for special road work (\$2,000 to be expended in each precinct) \$6,000.—  
to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Art. 24. See article 23.

Art. 25. See article 23.

Art. 26. Voted: That the selectmen be requested to petition the state and county, to complete Main street, from the residence of Frank E. Parsons to the State highway from Concord to Littleton. two thirds of the cost to be borne by the state and one third by the county

Art. 27. See Art. 23

Art. 28. See Art. 23

Art. 29. See Art. 23.

Art. 30. See Art. 23.

Art. 31. See Art. 23

Art. 32. See Art. 23.

Art. 33. See Art. 23.

Art. 34. See Art. 23

Voted: to adjourn, without date  
A true record. Attest  
Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk

The by-laws adopted by the town at the above named meeting March 8, 1926, were approved by the Attorney General March 24, 1926  
Boston, Mass. March 24, 1926  
The foregoing by-laws are hereby approved.

J. R. Benton Attorney General

I hereby certify that the foregoing by-laws have been published in the Acton Enterprise, three times, in accordance with Chap. 40, Section 32.  
General Laws

George A. Richardson

Middlesex ss. Subscribed and sworn to this 23<sup>rd</sup>. day of April 1926 before me

Guy C. Rowell.  
Notary Public



A true record. Attest  
Horace F. Tuttle  
Town Clerk

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton  
Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in their respective voting places to-wit: Precinct I. Town Hall, Precinct II. Universalist Church South Acton, Precinct III. Fire House N. Acton Tuesday, the Fourteenth Day of September, 1926 at 6-30 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following officers:

Governor	for this Commonwealth
Lieut. Governor	" " "
Secretary of the Commonwealth	" " "
Treasurer and Receiver-General	" " "
Auditor of the Commonwealth	" " "
Senator in Congress (to fill vacancy)	5th Congressional Dist.
Councillor	for 3rd. Councillor "
Senator	5th Senatorial "
Representative in General Court	11th Representative "
County Commissioner (1)	for Middlesex County
Associate Commissioners (2)	" Middlesex County.
District Attorney	" Northern District
Sheriff	" Middlesex County.

Vacancies

Register of Probate and Insolvency (to fill vacancy)  
County Commissioner (to fill vacancy)

And for the Election of the following officers:

District Member of State Committee for Each Political Party for the Fifth Senatorial District

11 members of the Republican Town Committee  
Members of The Democratic Town Committee  
3 Delegates to the State Conventions of The Republican Party.

3 Delegates to State Conventions of The Democratic Party.

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this fourth day of September, A.D., 1926.

Murray Brown,  
Albert R. Jenks,  
Howard J. Billings,  
Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posted attested copies thereof as therein directed.

John T. McNiff

## Record of the State Primary, Sept. 14, 1926.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton, held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Candidates of the Republican Party

Whole number of ballots cast *381 77 137 374*

For Governor

Alvan T. Fuller	72	75	143	290
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Lieutenant Governor

Frank S. Allen	73	74	132	279
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Secretary

Frederick H. Cook	69	73	126	268
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Treasurer

William S. Youngman	68	71	124	263
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Auditor

Alonzo B. Cook	59	64	117	240
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Attorney General

Elijah Adlow	3	6	11	20
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Alexander Lincoln	9	12	3	24
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Arthur H. Reading	63	54	123	240
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Senator in Congress

William M. Butler	70	63	125	258
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Congressman

John D. Boardman	21	15	85	121
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Edith Housie Rogers	57	64	68	189
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Councillor

Ester M. Andrews	10	8	7	25
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John C. Brimblecom	1	1	4	11
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Charles Lawrence Russell	9	22	23	54
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Charles Sumner Smith	45	31	70	146
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Senator

George S. Mayo	56	58	107	221
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Representative in General Court

Louis Pfeiffer	38	59	99	196
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Edward J. Robbins	34	15	40	89
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County Commissioner

Erson B. Barlow	65	59	108	232
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Associate Commissioners

Sidney L. Bishop	3	10	14	27
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Sherman H. Fletcher	56	45	87	188
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Daniel A. Gorman	2	7	16	25
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Harry L. Kaseltine	7	9	5	21
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John M. Keyes	47	50	83	180
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District Attorney

Robert T. Bushnell	71	65	125	261
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Sheriff

John F. Fairbairn	68	64	115	247
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County Commissioner

Nathaniel L. Bowditch	55	57	82	194
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Daniel F. McBride	1	-	5	6
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Harry F. Beck	5	5	8	18
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Register of Probate and Insolvency

William S. Andrew	22	21	35	78
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Loring F. Jordan	23	28	45	96
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Russell A. Hood	17	14	26	57
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## State Committee

George V. Dale	57	61	97	217
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## Delegates to State Convention

Bradbury	1			
Killeff	1			
Harris	1			
Davis	1			
Grimes			16	
Costello			3	

## Town Committee

Grimes, James A.	56	68	103	227
Ineson, Benjamin J.	55	65	102	222
Edney, C. Esther	57	64	103	224
Surkee, Albert P.	61	65	102	228
Harris, David C.	56	65	102	223
Miller, Ella L.	58	64	103	225
Gattle, Horace F.	63	68	103	234
Hall, Evangeline P.	57	68	101	226
Blanchard, Annie M.	57	64	101	222
Clapp, George E.	56	65	102	223
Voit, Frank H.	57	69	93	221
Sawyer, Clara L.	57	66	102	227
Kolton, Charles J.	58	65	102	225
Bellings, Howard James	61	68	103	232
Munn, William	57	63	102	222

## Candidates of the Democratic Party

	Pres. I	Pres. II	Pres. III	Total
Whole number of votes cast				12

## For Governor

William A. Gaston	3	—	8	11
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## Lieutenant Governor

Harry J. Dooley	3	—	7	10
Joseph B. Ely	—	—	1	1

## Secretary

Cavanaugh, Frank H.	3	—	7	10
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## Treasurer

Daniel England	3	—	8	11
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## Auditor

Strabo V. Claggett	3	—	8	11
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## Attorney General

John E. Swift	2	—	11	6
Harold Williams Jr.	1	—	2	13

## Senator in Congress

David L. Walsh	3	—	9	12
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## Congressman

James M. Hurley	3	—	8	11
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## Councillor

## Senator

Joseph L. Holland	3	—	7	10
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## Representative in General Court

## County Commissioner

## Associate Commissioners

## District Attorney

Patrick J. Delaney	3	—	7	10
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## Sheriff

## County Commissioner

Daniel F. McBride	3	—	7	10
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Register of Probate and Insolvency	I	II	III	
John J. Butler	3	—	8	11
State Committee				
James T. Kennessey	3	—	9	12
Delegates to State Convention				
David Kinsley			1	1
Town Committee				
Kinsley,			7	7
McDonald,			7	7
Coughlin,			7	7
Toohy,			7	7
McCarthy,			7	7
Attest record. Attest				
George F. Tuttle				
Town Clerk.				

# Warrant for a Special Town Meeting

Sept. 29, 1926.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex S. S.  
To either of the Constables of the Town of  
Acton in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts you are hereby required to  
notify and warn the legal voters of said  
town of Acton, qualified to vote at town  
meetings for the transaction of town  
affairs, to meet at the town hall, in said  
Acton on Wednesday, the twenty-ninth day  
of September, 1926, at 8 o'clock P. M. by posting  
a copy of this warrant by you attested, at  
each of the places as directed by vote of  
the town, seven days at least before the  
said twenty-ninth day of September. Then  
and there to act upon the following articles:

- Art. I. To see if the town will vote to appropriate  
the sum of one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars  
for fighting brush fires, or act anything  
thereon.
- Art. II. To see if the town will vote to appropriate  
the sum of four hundred and fifty (\$450.-)  
dollars for the removal of snow, or act  
anything thereon.
- Art. III. To see if the town will vote to appropriate  
the sum of six hundred (\$600.00) dollars for  
the payment of the salaries of the Board  
of Assessors or act anything thereon.
- Art. IV. To see if the town will vote to insure  
any or all of its buildings and  
appropriate money to pay for same, or

act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twentieth day of September 1926.

Murray Brown

Albert R. Jenks

Howard J. Bellings

Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that, I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as directed therein.

John T. McRiff

Constable of Acton.

### Proceedings of Special Town Meeting

Sept. 29, 1926.

Allen Brooks Parker called the meeting to order at 8 o'clock.

- of Town record. Attached to Town Clerk's Office.*
- Art. I. Voted: to appropriate \$700 for fighting brush fire.
  - Art. II. Voted: to appropriate four hundred and fifty (\$450-) dollars for the removal of snow.
  - Art. III. Voted: to appropriate six hundred (\$600-) dollars for general government to be expended in payment of salaries of assessors.
  - Art. IV. Voted: that the School Committee is authorized and instructed to reinsure the high school building and contents to the amount of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars <sup>to be paid</sup> to appropriate three hundred (\$300) <sup>to be paid</sup> for the payment of premiums.
  - Voted: to adjourn.

### Warrant for State Election Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Acton who are qualified to vote at elections therein, to meet in their respective voting places, to wit:

Precinct I, Town Hall

Precinct II, Universalist Church, South Acton

Precinct III, Fire House, West Acton.

On Tuesday, the second day of November, 1926, at 11-30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the precinct officers of their respective precincts, their votes on one ballot for the election of the following officers:

- Governor - - - - - for this Commonwealth
- Lieutenant Governor - - - for this Commonwealth
- Secretary of the Commonwealth - for this Commonwealth
- Treasurer and Receiver General - for this Commonwealth
- Attorney General - - - for this Commonwealth
- Senator in Congress - - - for the fifth Congressional District
- Councillor - - - for the Third Councillor District
- Senator - - - for Fifth Senatorial District
- One Representative in General Court for Eleventh Representative District
- One County Commissioner - for Middlesex County
- Two Associate County Commissioners - for Middlesex County
- District Attorney - - - for Northern District
- Sheriff - - - - - for Middlesex County

To fill vacancies  
Register of Probate and Insolvency for  
Middlesex County.  
County Commissioner -- for Middlesex County.  
Also to vote yes or no on the following questions:

Question No 1.

Shall an amendment to the constitution which authorizes the General Court to establish in any corporate town containing more than six thousand inhabitants, a form of town government providing for town meetings limited to such inhabitants of the town as may be elected for the purpose, which received in a joint session of the two Houses held May 29, 1924, 159 votes in the affirmative, and 40 votes in the negative, and at a joint session of the two Houses held March 11, 1925, received 262 votes in the affirmative and 4 in the negative, be approved?

Question No 2.

Shall a law which amends existing law by striking out the provisions that voters who pass Civil Service Examinations shall be placed upon the eligible lists above all other applicants, that disabled veterans shall be placed ahead of all other veterans, and that disabled veterans shall be appointed and employed in preference to all other persons, and by providing in place thereof, that five points shall be added to the mark of veterans who pass such examinations, and ten points to the mark of disabled veterans, which law was disapproved in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 34 in the negative, and in the House of Representatives by a vote of 11 in the affirmative and 181 in the negative, be approved?

The polls will be open at 11.30 in the

forenoon and may be closed at 7.30 in the afternoon at each and all of the several precincts. And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the places as directed by vote of the town seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

You of fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doing thereon to the town clerk at or before the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands in Acton this twenty second day of October, A.D. 1926.

Murray Brown

Albert P. Jenks

Howard J. Billings

Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as directed therein.

John T. McNeill  
Constable of Acton

Record of State Election Nov 2, 1926.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton, held in accordance of the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration was made as by law directed, and the following is a true record all the names of all persons voted for, and the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Party designations  
R. Republican, D. Democratic, S. P. Socialist Party, S. S. Socialist Labor Party, W. P. Workers Party, M. V. A. Modification Volstead Act.

Gouverneur	Prest. I.	Prest. II.	Prest. III.	Total
Alvan T. Fuller R.	163	216	278	657
William A. Gaston D.	27	58	42	127
Walter S. Hutchins S. P.	0	2	0	2
Samuel Legu S. L. P.	0	1	0	1
Lewis Marks H. P.	0	0	0	0
Blanks	3	2	4	9
Lieutenant Governor				
Frank S. Allen R. P.	163	206	269	638
Daniel T. Blessington	0	1	1	2
Albert Eddie H. P.	0	2	1	3
Dennis F. Reagan S. P.	0	0	3	3
Edmond P. Talbot D.	22	55	36	113
Blanks	8	15	14	37
Secretary				
Harry L. Canter H. P.	1	3	6	10
Frank H. Cavanaugh D.	19	55	32	106
Frederick H. Cook R.	154	197	258	609
Stephen L. Surridge S. L. P.	0	0	0	0
Edith M. Williams S. P.	0	2	1	3
Blanks	19	22	27	68
Treasurer				
Albert Sprague Coolidge	1	2	2	5
Kinfield Sawyer H. P.	1	2	2	5
Daniel England D.	17	49	29	95
Henry West S. L. P.	0	1	1	2
William S. Youngman R.	155	202	253	610
Blanks	19	23	37	79
Auditor				
Leon Arkin S. P.	0	0	0	0
Stratford Claggett D.	31	70	72	173
Alongor B. Cook R.	132	177	211	520
Emma P. Hutchins H. P.	2	3	1	6
John R. MacKinnon S. L. P.	0	6	0	6

	Prest. I.	Prest. II.	Prest. III.	Total
Blanks	28	23	40	91
Attorney General				
Isadore Harris S. L. P.	2	2	1	5
Max Lerner H. P.	1	1	0	2
Arthur K. Reading R.	154	202	264	620
John Weaver Sherman S. P.	7	0	0	7
John E. Swift D.	15	49	26	90
Blanks	14	25	33	72
Senator in Congress				
John J. Ballam H. P.	0	2	1	3
William M. Butler R.	142	169	239	550
Washington Cook M. V. A.	3	3	1	7
Alfred Baker Lewis S. P.	0	0	0	0
David L. Walsh D.	44	99	74	217
Blanks	4	6	9	19
Congressman Fifth Dist.				
James M. Hurley D.	23	50	39	112
Edith House Rogers R.	153	209	239	601
Blanks	17	20	46	83
Councillor Third Dist.				
Charles Sumner Smith	152	197	262	611
Blanks	41	82	62	185
Senator				
Joseph S. Holland D.	21	50	28	99
George L. Mayne R.	151	183	238	572
Blanks	21	46	58	125
Representative in General Court				
Edward J. Robbins R.	137	146	123	406
Lydiard R.	19	55	140	214
Blanks	37	78	60	175
J. A. Grimes			1	1

County Commissioner	Prec. I.	Prec. II.	Prec. III.	Total	
Ernest B. Barlow R.	153	193	249	595	
Blanks	40	86	75	201	
Associate Commissioners					
Thurman W. Fletcher R.	129	161	223	513	
John W. Keyes R.	123	174	195	492	
Blanks	134	223	230	587	
District Attorney					
Robert T. Bushnell R.	159	199	253	611	
Patrick J. Delaney D.	20	47	27	94	
Blanks.	14	33	44	91	
Sheriff					
John A. Fairbairn R.	158	208	259	625	
Blanks.	35	71	65	171	
County Commissioner					
Nathaniel S. Bowditch R.	153	193	239	585	
Daniel F. McBride D.	19	43	29	91	
Blanks	21	43	56	120	
Register of Probate and Insolvency					
John J. Butler D.	29	48	32	109	
Loring C. Jordan R.	142	185	247	574	
Blanks.	22	46	45	113	
Question No 1.	Yes.	76	92	112	270
	No.	43	50	53	156
Blanks		74	137	159	370
Question No 2.	Yes.	78	63	87	228
	No.	74	119	121	314
Blanks.		41	97	116	254

Attest  
J. Tuttle, Town Clerk  
A true record,  
Horace

Vote for Representative  
11th Middlesex District Nov 2, 1926.

	Westford	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Total
Edward J. Robbins <sup>of Chelmsford</sup>	480	406	180	81	1570	366	3053
F. S. Lydiard <sup>of Bedford</sup>	15	214	255	62	24	9	579
James A. Grimes <sup>of Acton</sup>		1					1
Blanks	258	175	97	19	570	64	1183
	753	796	532	162	2164	439	4846
Horace F. Tuttle Town Clerk <sup>of Acton</sup>							
Harold L. Kellington " " <sup>of Bedford</sup>							
Ruth C. Perkins " " <sup>of Carlisle</sup>							
Harold C. Peterson " " <sup>of Chelmsford</sup>							
Eliot M. Young " " <sup>of Littleton</sup>							
Charles L. Kildreth " " <sup>of Westford</sup>							

## Warrant for annual Meeting

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct I, Town Hall, Acton. Precinct II, Universalist Church, South Acton. Precinct III, Fire House, West Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, the Seventh Day of March, 1927, by posting a copy of this warrant by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said seventh day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers:

One moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three overseers of the poor for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three years, one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee Memorial Library for three years, one tree warden for one year.

The poll will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock P. M.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the legal voters of said Town of Acton as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, March 14th, at 7 o'clock in the forenoon

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Art. I. To choose all necessary town-officers and committees and fix salaries of all town-officers.
- Art. II. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of town-officers.
- Art. III. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Art. IV. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.
- Art. V. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial Day.
- Art. VI. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. VII. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.
- Art. VIII. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.
- Art. IX. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown tail and gypsy moth.
- Art. X. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employes of the town, or act anything thereon.

- Art. XI. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the premiums on treasurers and collectors bonds, or act anything thereon.
- Art. XII. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1927, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. XIII. To see what sum of money the town will vote to defray the expenses of plowing the sidewalks of snow in the three villages or act anything thereon.
- Art. XIV. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.
- Art. XV. To see if the town will accept the High School Building or act anything thereon.
- Art. XVI. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, together with the unexpended balance of 1926, for the maintenance of the town forest, or act anything thereon.
- Art. XVII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purpose of purchasing additional land for a town forest and planting the same, or act anything thereon.
- Art. XVIII. To see if the town will vote to allow the use

- of the town hall by the pupils of the high school for the playing of basketball games, or act anything thereon.
- Art. XIX. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to move the water fountain in West Acton from its present location to a location on Central Street, between Massachusetts Avenue and Arlington Street, or act anything thereon.
- Art. XX. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.
- Art. XXI. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars, the same being part of the amount returned to the town under the provisions of Chapter 480 of the acts of 1924, for the purpose of setting out some shrubbery and otherwise beautifying the grounds immediately surrounding the monument to the World War Veterans.
- Art. XXII. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to ask the Telephone Company to change the name of the local exchange from West Acton to Acton.
- Art. XXIII. To see if the town will vote to have the Acton Public Health Committee consist of five members: one from the school

committee, one from the Board of Health, and one citizen from each precinct.

Art. XXIV. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to employ one permanent police officer, for duty throughout the town, and appropriate a sum of money to maintain said officer, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXV. To see if the town will vote to round off the sharp southwest angle at Hilley's corner, and if necessary, to acquire sufficient land to do so, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Art. XXVI. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, for nine band concerts to be given by the Acton Cadet Band, three each in the village of South, West, and Acton Center, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXVII. To see if the town will vote to install a street light on Prospect street in South Acton opposite the residence of Charles Hardy.

Art. XXVIII. To see if the town will vote to install another light on the railroad bridge at South Acton.

Art. XXIX. To see if the town will vote to install two street lights on Main St. in the vicinity of the three houses recently built.

Art. XXX. To see if the town will vote to install a water hydrant on Main Street to give fire protection to the buildings recently erected.

Art. XXXI. To see if the town will vote to accept the gift of Mr. George V. Mead of a plot of land situated

in the village of West Acton bounded by Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington Street and Central Street, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXII. To see if the town will vote to appropriate by borrowing or otherwise the sum of \$10,000 or any other amount, to continue the construction of Main Street from a point opposite the residence of Frank S. Parsons to the State road leading to Littleton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXIII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 to continue the work of rebuilding School Street and Laws Brook Road, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXIV. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000. to continue the construction of Willow Street in West Acton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXV. To see if the the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to complete the construction of Central Street in West Acton to the village limits, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything

thereon.

Art. XXXVI. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to repair and oil Hosmer Street from Hoodlawn Cemetery to Crooked Corner, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXVII. To see if the town will vote to take any further action in regard to the proposed new highway leading from Massachusetts Avenue, West Acton, to the house of Sidney L. Richardson, following the old electric car line location.

Art. XXXVIII. To see if the town will vote to purchase some snow fencing for use on the highways to prevent drifting of snow, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXIX. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Board of Health to provide a new dumping ground in Precinct I, and to abolish the present dump, opposite Hoodlawn Cemetery and to have it filled in and graded, or to take any action thereon.

Art. XXXX. To see if the town will vote to reappropriate the unexpended balance of the School Appropriation of 1926, to be expended on the athletic field, or do or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXXI. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to obtain lower municipal rates for electric current, or do or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXXII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not in excess of \$2,000.00 for the purpose of installing flush closets in the West Acton school house, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXXIII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to care for the water, and make needed repairs on Church street in West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXXIV. To see if the town will vote to consolidate the official boards of the town, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXV. To see if the town will vote to adopt the limited town meeting, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXXVI. To see if the will vote to elect a highway surveyor by ballot, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXXVII. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer to sell the share of the stock of the Boston and Maine Railroad, held by the town for the care of the Phineas Metherell lot in Mt. Hope cemetery and reinvest the proceeds for such purpose.

Art. XXXXVIII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to run a six water line from the Maynard Water System at the Maynard town line to a point about 1,000 feet distant and install two hydrants to afford fire protection for the Cellulose Products Co. at South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXXIX. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to repair Concord Street from Fletcher Corner to the railroad switch, or act anything thereon.

Art. L. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for special repairs on

High Street in South Acton from the Powder Mill dam to Fletcher Corner, or act anything thereon.

Art. I. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 or any other sum the same to be expended in resurfacing and oiling Arlington street in West Acton, beginning at Central Street, and running easterly, or act anything thereon.

Art. II. To see if the town will vote to install two street lights on Maple Avenue in Acton Center.

Art. III. To see if the town will vote to build a Fire House in South Acton and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or act anything thereon.

Art. IV. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair Piper Street in South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. V. To see if the town will vote to purchase a Fordson Tractor, and snow plow, or act anything thereon.

Art. VI. To see what action the town will take regarding the provisions of the will of Jonathan H. Hetherbee, late of Acton, deceased, so far as the same relates to the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this nineteenth day of February, 1927.

Murray Brown  
Howard J. Bellings.

Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as directed therein.

John T. McNiff  
Constable of Acton.

For Town Election Record see Pg. 409

### Proceedings of the Annual Meeting March 14, 1927.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Allen Brooks Parker.

- Art. I. Chose, Charles E. Smith, Trustee of the Goodnow Fund for three years.  
Chose, Edgar H. Hall, Trustee of the West Acton Fireman's Relief Fund for three years.  
Chose, Waldo E. Whitcomb, Trustee of the Elizabeth White Fund, for three years.  
Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at five eighths of one per cent of the amount collected.  
Voted: that the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be two hundred dollars per annum and the other members one hundred dollars each per annum.  
Voted: That the salary of the moderator be ten dollars per meeting.  
Voted: That the salary of the overseers of the poor be seventy-five dollars per annum for the chairman and forty dollars each per annum for the other members.  
Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer be five hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be four hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town clerk be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the assessors be six hundred dollars, in the aggregate, per annum, to be apportioned as they may determine.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

Art. II. Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.

Art. III. Voted: The article was passed over.

Art. IV. Voted: Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to appropriate for

Roads, general maintenance	\$10000. —
Roads, Main street Art 32.	10000. —
School street, Art. 33.	2000. —
Central street, Art. 34.	1000. —
Hollow street, Art. 35.	1000. —
Arlington street, Art. 51.	1000. —
Kramer street, Art. 36.	500. —
Concord Stow road, Art. 49.	1000. —
High street, Art. 50.	500. —
Snow removal.	3400. —
Street Lighting	5000. —
Bonds, road payment of	5900. —
Bonds, high school	6000. —
Bonds, Fire equipment	2000. —
Interest, high school bonds	2600. —
Interest, road bonds	475. —
Interest, revenue bonds	1200. —
Schools	44000. —
High school grounds, grade reappropriated	2000. —

Memorial Library, current expenses	800. —
Memorial Library, books	200. —
Hydrant service	3150. —
Trees, forest	500. —
Fire department maintenance	1200. —
Fire department, new hose	300. —
Fire house, South Acton	4000. —
Shade tree care of	150. —
General Government	1600. —
Treasurer and Collectors bonds	175. —
Buildings and grounds	800. —
Cemeteries	1000. —
Moth Work	1269. 59
Memorial day	300. —
Police department	800. —
Board of Health	1200. —
Military and State Aid	400. —
Reserve fund	1200. —
Unclassified	500. —
Demonstration work in Agr.	300. —
Poor department	1800. —
Town Nurse	2200. —
Insurance of employees	500. —
Fountain at West Acton relocating	100. —
Hiding roads Kellers Corner Art 25	200. —
Snow fencing	400. —
Total appropriations	127619. 59
Voted to raise by taxation	102000. —
Voted to raise by borrowing for construction of Main street	8000. —
Voted to raise by borrowing for Fire house at South Acton	3100. —

Art. V. Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars.  
Voted: That the moderator be instructed to appoint a committee to take in charge the expenditure of this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. II Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1927 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1927, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from October 15, 1927 until such taxes are paid.

Art. III Voted: To appropriate \$1200 for maintenance and \$300 for new hose.

Art. IV Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars and that the price per hour be fixed by the Forest Warden.

Art. IX Voted: To appropriate \$269.59 for moth work.

Art. X Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$500. —

Art. XI Voted: To appropriate \$75. —

Art. XII Voted: That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1927 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. XIII Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XIV Voted: To take up the for joint consideration  
Art. 23.

Voted: That the town employ a town nurse to be under the supervision of a committee to include Mrs. Eugene L. Hall, Mrs. William Rawitser and Miss Charlotte Conant in conjunction with the board of health and school committee and that twenty two hundred dollars be appropriated for the salary and expense of the same.

Art. XV Mr. Rawitser, chairman of the building committee presented the following statement as the final report of the committee.

Final Statement of High School Building Committee.

#### Income

Town Appropriation	\$100,000.00
Int. on Bonds, Bonus	1,689.84
Rec'd from Bldg. Com.	50.16
for tablet	
	\$101,740.00

#### Expenses

Kelley Heirs - Land	3,100. —
H. A. Kilson - legal	206.20
J. H. Bickford - Architect	5,050. —
Duncan Construction Co.	
Contract	70,184.50
J. H. Cabene - Contract	15,016. —
Plaster Installation	100. —
Insurance	550. —
Coal	116.32
Expense of bonds	242.95
Additional for grading	300. —
out of Building Fund	
Equipment, etc	6,496.69
Balance	377.33
	101,740. —
Balance	377.33
	\$101,362.67

## Gifts

Mr. & Mrs. Wright	2,800. —
Varnum B. Mead	1,000. —
O. H. Mead	1,000. —
F. V. Nash	800. —
E. & B. Hall	400. —
Varnum Tattle	1,000. —
E. & C. Clark	350. —
Mrs. L. A. Cutler	500. —
Ledy Campbell	400. —
A. F. Blanchard (assembly)	10,000. —
Conant (library)	5,972. 40
William Painter (Lanterns)	200. —
Total Amount of Gifts	24,422. 40

Town appropriation - grading 3,000. —

Grand Total 129,162. 40

Representing the total amount of Money invested

Voted: That the town accept the High School Building and discharge the committee as having completed its work in full.

Voted: unanimously by a rising vote, that the town extend its thanks to the committee for their services.

Voted: unanimously that the town place on record its appreciation of the gifts received from individuals toward the erection and equipment of the building and that the clerk be instructed to send to the several donors a letter expressing the thanks of the town.

Art. XVI Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. XVII Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. XVIII A motion that the town allow the use of the town hall for playing basket ball, subject

to regulations made or approved by the selectmen, did not prevail.

Art. XIX Voted: That the matter be left in the hands of the selectmen and the sum of \$400. be appropriated to defray the cost of relocation.

Art. XX Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$300. —

Art. XXI Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. XXII Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to petition the N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. to change the name of the local exchange to Acton.

Art. XXIII Considered jointly with Art. 14.

Art. XXIV Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. XXV Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to purchase the necessary amount of land at said corner, the same to be cleared of all obstructions properly surfaced for travel and that the sum of two hundred dollars be raised for that purpose.

Art. XXVI Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. XXVII Voted: That articles 27, 28, 29 and 52 be considered jointly.

Voted: That the matters mentioned in articles 27, 28, 29, and 52 be referred to the selectmen with power to act in their discretion.

Art. XXVIII See article XXVII

Art. XXIX See article XXVII

Art. XXX Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to

maintain one hydrant or more on Main street between Acton Center and Kelley's Corner to protect the houses recently built.

Art. XXXI Voted: That the town accept from Mr. George V. Mead the gift of a plot of land in West Acton, upon the conditions mentioned in his deed of gift. Voted: That the thanks of the town be given to Mr. Mead and that the clerk be instructed to send him a copy of this vote.

Art. XXXII Voted: Unanimously that there be appropriated the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars for the purpose of continuing the construction of Main Street from a point opposite Frank & Parsons. Said sum to be used with a like amount or more allotted by the State Department of Public Works and by the County Commissioners and to meet said appropriation there be raised in the levy of the current year the sum of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars and that the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of eight thousand (\$8,000) dollars and to issue bonds or notes therefor. Said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so the whole loan shall be paid in not more than 5 years or at such earlier dates as may be fixed by the treasurer and selectmen.

Art. XXXIII Voted: To appropriate the sum of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars to continue the work of rebuilding School Street and Laws Brook Road, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Art. XXXIV Voted: To appropriate the sum of one

thousand dollars (\$1,000) to complete the construction of Central Street in West Acton to the village limits, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Art. XXXV Voted: To appropriate the sum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars to continue the construction of Thallow Street in West Acton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Art. XXXVI Voted: To appropriate for repairs on said street \$500.

Art. XXXVII Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XXXVIII Voted: To appropriate \$400 to purchase snow fencing to be placed at the discretion of the selectmen.

Art. XXXIX Voted: That the Board of Health be authorized to purchase from Francis B. Faurer, about five acres of land at a cost not exceeding \$450. for a public dump. Voted: That the Board of Health be instructed to abolish the present dump opposite Woodlawn Cemetery.

Art. XL To reappropriate two thousand dollars from said unexpended balance for an athletic field for the High School.

Art. XLI Voted: to instruct the selectmen to secure, if possible, lower rates for electric current in all the town buildings.

Art. XLII. Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XLIII. Voted: to dismiss the article.

Art. XLIV. Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XLV. Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XLVI. Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XLVII. <sup>examined by</sup> Voted: That the treasurer be and is hereby authorized to sell the share of stock of the Boston and Maine railroad held by the town and invest the proceeds in a Savings Bank the income to be used for the perpetual care of the Phineas Ketherbee lot in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Art. XLVIII. Voted: That the matter be referred to the selectmen and the water commissioners of the West and South Water Supply District of Acton to investigate and report at a future meeting.

Art. XLIX. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$1000 to repair said road.

Art. L. Voted: To appropriate \$200 for repairs on said road.

Art. LI. Voted: To appropriate \$1,000 to gravel Arlington street the work to begin where it ended in 1926 and continue easterly.

Art. LII. See action taken under article 27.

Art. LIII. Voted: That the town build a new Fire House at South Acton, buy a lot of land if necessary and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars to pay for the same. To raise \$500 the present year and issue notes payable

within five years for the balance. The building committee to be the selectmen and three members of the South Acton Fire Department to be appointed by the moderator. The moderator appointed Frank W. Hart, John Manning and Ralph W. Piper.

Voted. unanimously  
Art. 54. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 55. Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. 56. Voted: To dismiss the article.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record, attest:  
Horace F. Tittle  
Town Clerk

# Warrant for a Special Town Meeting June 8, 1927

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex S.S. To either of the Constables of the town of Acton in said County, Greeting, In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Acton on Wednesday June 8, 1927 at 8 o'clock P. M. by posting a copy of this warrant by you attested at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting. Then and there to act upon the following articles

Art. 1 To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to renew any or all of the revenue loan issued December 2<sup>d</sup> 1926 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 Section 17 General Laws of Massachusetts the same to be paid from the revenue of the year 1926

Article 2, To see if the town will vote to appropriate by borrowing or otherwise the sum of two thousand dollars to run a six inch water line and install two hydrants to afford fire protection for the Cellulose Products Co. at South Acton, either by connecting with the Maynard Water System or assisting the West and South Water Supply District to enlarge the district and furnish the necessary supply, or act anything thereon. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with a true return of this town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid Given under our hands in Acton this twenty eighth day of May 1927, Murray Brown Howard J. Billings, Weldo E. Whitcomb, Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof as therein directed Acton May 29, 1927. John T. M. Niff, Constable of Acton

## Proceedings of the Special Meeting June 8, 1927

The meeting was called to order by the moderator Allen Brooks Parker

Art. 1. Voted, unanimously, to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to renew any or all of the revenue loan issued Dec 2, 1926 in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 44, Section 17 General Laws of Massachusetts, the same to be paid from the revenue of the year 1926.

Art 2. Voted, To postpone action under this article until the next annual meeting

Voted to adjourn

A true record, Attest.  
Horace F. Tuttle,  
Town Clerk.

# Warrant for a Special Town Meeting

August 25, 1927.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex S.S.

To either of the constables of the town of Acton in said County, Greeting;

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Thursday August 25, 1927 at 8 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles

Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money for the purpose of continuing the reconstruction of Main Street, said sum to be used in conjunction with sums allotted by the State and County or either of them, determine how the same shall be raised or take any action relative thereto.

Article 2, To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to acquire by eminent domain or otherwise the land formerly laid out as a County road, from School street to the Boston and Maine R. R. tracks in South Acton for Fire House purposes.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting at least copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting, as directed by vote of the town. If you fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this eleventh day of August, 1927.

Murray Brown

Howard J. Bidwings

Waldo E. Whitcomb

Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant as therein directed

John T. McNeill

Acton Aug 18, 1927

Constable of Acton.

## Proceedings of the Meeting

August 25, 1927.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator Allen Brooks Parker.

Art 1. Voted, unanimously that there be appropriated the sum of three thousand dollars for the purpose of continuing the reconstruction of Main Street, said sum to be used in conjunction with sums allotted by the State and County or either of them; and that, to meet said appropriation the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow said sum and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefore, said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19 of Chap. 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first bond or note or at such earlier date as the treasurer and selectmen may determine.

Article 2, Voted, unanimously, That the selectmen be authorized to acquire by right of eminent domain or otherwise for the purpose of building a Fire House thereon a certain parcel of land in South Acton, between the stone formerly of Tuttle and Newton and the bridge over the Boston and Maine R. R. described as follows: Beginning at the southerly line of School Street, thence southerly along the easterly line of the old road to Maynard, fifty feet; thence westerly parallel to said School Street forty one and one quarter feet, thence northerly parallel with the first described line and forty feet distant therefrom about fifty feet to said School Street, thence easterly along said School Street about forty one and one fourth feet to the place of beginning or any part of the above described parcel, provided said part of the old Maynard road shall be discontinued as a

Public highway,

Voted to adjourn.

A true record, attest

Norace F Tuttle  
Town Clerk.

# Record of Town Election

March 7, 1927.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant. All the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for the title of the office the number of votes for each person.

	Pct I	Pct II	Pct III	Total
Whole number of ballots cast	45	61	96	202
Moderator, for one year				
Allen Brooks Parker	43	60	90	193
Sworn by Town Clerk				
Town Clerk, one year				
Norace F. Tuttle.	43	60	93	196
Sworn by moderator				
Selectman, Three years				
Waldo E. Whitcomb	45	57	94	196
sworn by town clerk				
Assessor, Three years				
Henry L. Haynes	34	44	68	146
sworn by town clerk				
Overseers of Poor, one year				
Murray Brown	43	60	91	194
Howard J. Billings	42	57	91	190
Waldo E. Whitcomb	43	56	88	187
H. J. Billings sworn by F. H. Hoik				
M. Brown and W. E. Whitcomb sworn by town clerk				
Treasurer, one year				
Frank H. Hoik	45	57	93	195
sworn by town clerk				
Tax Collector, one year				
Charles A. Durkee	40	57	90	187
sworn by town clerk				

School Committee, Three years	Pct. I	Pct. II	Pct. III	Total
Alice M. Carlisle	37	44	62	143
sworn by town clerk				
Frank Toohy	34	48	71	153
sworn by town clerk				
Constables, one year				
Jesse A. Briggs	35	53	71	159
Alan B. Frost	32	52	79	163
John T. McNiff	42	54	85	181
sworn by town clerk				
Charles A. Durkee	37	57	81	175
sworn by town clerk				
Cemetery Commissioners, three years				
Thendell F. Davis	44	52	83	179
Board of Health, three years				
Frank E. Tasker	39	53	87	179
Trustee of Memorial Library, three years				
Lucius A. Kesselton	42	53	87	182
Tree Warden, one year				
James O'Neil	39	56	87	182
sworn by town clerk				

March 12, 1928

Warrant for Annual Meeting  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex, ss.To either of the Constables of the Town of  
Acton, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify  
the legal voters of said town of Acton,  
qualified to vote at town meetings for the  
transaction of town affairs, to meet in their  
respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct I, Town Hall in said Acton,  
Precinct II, Universalist Church, South Acton  
Precinct III, Fire House, West Acton, at 12 o'clock  
noon, on Monday, the Fifth day of March,  
1928, by posting a copy of this warrant by  
you attested, at each of the places as directed  
by vote of the town, seven days at least  
before the said fifth day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot  
for the following town officers: one moderator  
for one year, one town clerk for one year,  
one selectman for three years, one assessor for  
three years, three for department of public welfare  
for one year, one treasurer for one year, one  
collector of taxes for one year, four constables  
for one year, two for school committee for  
three years, one for board of health for  
three years, one cemetery commissioner for  
three years, one trustee Memorial library  
for three years, one tree warden for one  
year.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon,  
and close at 7 o'clock p. m.

You are further requested in the name of  
the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify  
the legal voters of said town of Acton, as afore-  
said, to meet at the town hall in said Acton,

on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.  
Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Art. I. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. II. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.
- Art. III. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Art. IV. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.
- Art. V. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.
- Art. VI. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. VII. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.
- Art. VIII. To see if the town will pay for fighting bush fires and fix price thereon.
- Art. IX. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown-tail and gypsy moth.
- Art. X. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town

or act anything thereon.

- Art. XI. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.
- Art. XII. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1928, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. XIII. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to have the sidewalks in the three villages plowed of snow and appropriate a sum of money therefor.
- Art. XIV. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.
- Art. XV. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other amount, and elect a director; the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.
- Art. XVI. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the old fire house in South Acton, together with any unused fire

department equipment, or act anything thereon.

Art. XVII To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80.00 for a lowering device for the use of the cemetery department, or act anything thereon.

Art. XVIII To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to make repairs on Esterbrook road, in East Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. XIX To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for special repairs on High street in South Acton, between Fletcher corner and the Powder Mill Dam.

Art. XX To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for special repairs on Stow street from its intersection with Maple street to the Main street bridge, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXI To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000.00 to rebuild the bridge on Laws Brook road and continue the re-construction of this road to the Concord line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXII To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of the steam road roller, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXIII To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose

of installing a fire alarm signal in each of the three precincts, or making necessary repairs to present equipment if deemed advisable to do so, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXIV To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 to develop the high school athletic field, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXV To see if the town will vote to re-insure the high school building and its contents on the expiration of its present policies, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1928, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for such insurance, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXVI To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to repair and oil church street in West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXVII To see if the town will extend the street lights in North Acton along the Lowell road from the end of the present line to the railroad crossing, known as Gallagher's crossing, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXVIII To see if the town will vote to maintain a street light on Arlington street in West Acton near the residences of A. C. Jones, E. Henry Hall Jr., and Bertram E. Hall, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXIX To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to renew the electric lighting contract with the American Woollen Company, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXX To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for nine band concerts to be given by the Acton Cadet band, three each in the villages of South, West, and Acton Center, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXI To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to gravel Arlington street in West Acton, starting at Elm street and continuing in an easterly direction, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXIIA To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to rebuild Nagog Hill road from Littleton line to Acton Center, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. XXXIIIB To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to confer with the officials of the Boston and Maine R. R., and see if something cannot be done to replace the high wooden fence on the west side of the R. R. bridge at South Acton with a lower metal or wire fence, and to reduce the height of the wooden fence on the northerly side of Maple street.

Art. XXXIII To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars to purchase a road scraper for the road department, or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.  
Given under our hands at Acton, this eighteenth

day of February, 1928.

Murray Brown,  
Howard J. Billings,  
Waldo E. Whitcomb,  
Selectmen of Acton.

### Record of Town Election March 5, 1928.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant. All the ballots given in were counted, recorded and Declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the title of the office, the number of votes for each person.

	Pct. I.	Pct. II.	Pct. III.	Total.
Whole number of votes cast	43	31	53	127
Moderator, one year.				
Allen Brooks Parker	42	31	51	124
sworn by town clerk				
Town Clerk, one year.				
Norace F. Tuttle	42	31	51	124
sworn by moderator				
Selectman, Three years.				
Thendell T. Davis	41	29	48	118
sworn by town clerk.				
Assessor, Three years.				
Warren H. Jones	37	28	45	110
sworn by town clerk				
Board of Public Welfare, one year				
Howard J. Billings	42	29	49	120
sworn by moderator				
Waldo E. Whitcomb	40	31	47	118

	Pct I.	Pct II.	Pct III.	Total
sworn by moderator				
Skendell T. Davis	41	29	49	119
sworn by town clerk				
Treasurer, one year				
Frank H. Voit	42	30	52	124
sworn by town clerk				
Collector of Taxes, one year				
Charles A. Durkee	40	29	52	121
sworn by moderator				
School Committee, Three years				
Louisa N. Wood	41	28	46	115
sworn by town clerk				
Edgar H. Wall	41	25	41	107
sworn by moderator				
Constables, one year				
Michael Foley	40	28	46	114
sworn by F. H. Voit. N. P.				
Alan B. Frost	40	29	48	117
sworn by F. H. Voit N. P.				
John F. Mc Niff	41	28	45	114
sworn by town clerk				
Charles A. Durkee	40	27	47	114
sworn by moderator				
Cemetery Commissioner, Three years				
Norace F. Tuttle	40	29	47	116
Board of Health, Three years				
George H. Tuttle	41	26	47	114
sworn by town clerk				
Trustee of Memorial Library, Three years				
Norace F. Tuttle	40	26	45	111
Tree Harder, one year				
James O'Neil	40	27	45	112
sworn by town clerk.				

# Abstract of the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting held March 12, 1928.

- Art. I. Chose. Norace F. Tuttle, trustee of the Goodnow Fund for three years.
- Chose. A. N. Nedestedt, trustee of the West Astoria Fireman's Relief Fund, for three years.
- Chose, William H. Kingsley, trustee of the Elizabeth White Fund for three years.
- Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at five-eighths of one per cent of the amount collected.
- Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the selectmen be two hundred dollars per annum and the other members one hundred dollars each per annum.
- Voted: That the salary of the moderator be ten dollars per meeting.
- Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the board of public welfare be seventy five dollars per annum and the other members forty dollars each per annum.
- Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer be five hundred dollars per annum.
- Voted: That the salary the town clerk be two hundred dollars per annum.
- Voted: That the salaries of the assessors be five hundred and fifty dollars, in the aggregate per annum, to be apportioned as they may determine and fifty dollars for the salary of a clerk.
- Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

Art. II. Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.

Art. III. Mr. Murray Brown presented an itemized report of the committee appointed to make arrangements for the observance of Memorial day, which report was accepted.

Art. IV. Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted, to raise and appropriate for:

Roads, General Maintenance	10000	—
Roads, Laws Brook road	3000	—
Roads, Negro Kill road	1500	—
Snow removal	1000	—
Schools	44000	—
Bonds, payment of high school and others	16250	—
Interest on Bonds	3197	35
Street lighting	5000	—
Interest on revenue loans	2600	—
Memorial Library Current expenses	800	—
" " books	200	—
" " repairs	100	—
Hydrant service	2984	—
Fire department maintenance	1200	—
" " new hose	350	—
" " forest fires	500	—
General government	4600	—
Treasurers and collectors bonds	270	—
Buildings and grounds	800	—
Liability insurance	500	—
Cemeteries	1000	—
" lowering device	180	—
Moth work	1269	39
Memorial Day	300	—
Military aid	100	—
State aid	300	—
Police department	1200	—
Board of health	1300	—
Reserve fund	1000	—
Unclassified	500	—

Demonstration work in Agriculture	300	—
Public Welfare Department	1500	—
Town Nurse	2200	—
	110,000	74

Voted: To instruct the assessors to deduct from the amount required to be assessed the current year \$10,000 on account of surplus revenue and the amount of all the estimated receipts of the town except from loans and taxes.

Art. V. Voted: To raise and appropriate three hundred dollars.

Voted: That the Chairman of the selectmen, the commander of Isaac Davis Post and the Commander of the American Legion be committed to expend this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. VI. Voted: That all taxes other than poll, shall be payable not later than Oct 15, 1928 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov 1, 1928 interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct 15, 1928 until such taxes are paid.

Art. VII. Voted: to appropriate \$200. for maintenance and \$50 for new hose.

Art. VIII. Voted: To raise five hundred dollars and that the price per hour be fixed by the forest warden.

Art. IX. Voted: To raise \$1269.39 for moth work.

Art. X. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$500 five hundred dollars.

Art. XI. Voted: To raise and appropriate two hundred and seventy dollars.

Art. XII Voted: That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning Jan 1, 1928 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. XIII Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XIV Voted: To employ a public health nurse to be employed and serve under the direction of a joint committee consisting of the board of health and three members of the school committee, the school committee to choose the three members from its committee.  
Voted: To appropriate \$2200 for the maintenance of said nurse.

Art. XV Voted: To raise and appropriate three hundred dollars.

Art. XVI Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to sell at auction, the building and such unused equipment as the Fire Chief may approve.

Art. XVII Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$80.

Art. XVIII Acting under articles 4, 18, 19, 20, 26, and 31 jointly it was voted to raise for general maintenance of roads and for special work on roads named in articles 18, 19, 20, 26, and 31 the sum of \$10000 to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Art. XIX See action under Art 18.

Art. XX Action recorded under Art 18.

Art. XXI Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of three

thousand dollars to rebuild the bridge on Laws Brook road and continue the reconstruction of this road to the Concord line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Works and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex.

Art. XXII Voted: that the disposition of the steam roller be left with the selectmen to act in their discretion.

Art. XXIII A motion to appropriate the sum of \$1800 to install a fire alarm signal in each precinct did not prevail.

Art. XXIV Voted: To dismiss the article.

Art. XXV Voted: To insure the high school building and its contents for \$5000 for the term of three years and to raise a sum of money sufficient to pay the same.

Art. XXVI Action recorded under Article 18.

Art. XXVII Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. XXVIII Voted: To pass over the article.

Art. XXIX Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to make a new contract for electric street lighting for the best advantage of the town. Also that the selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee of three, one from each precinct, to assist them in the investigation of such new contract and that the sum of \$50 be appropriated to cover any necessary expense incurred.

Art. XXX Voted To pass over the article.

Art. XXXI Action recorded under Article 18

Art. XXXII A Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to rebuild Nagog Hill road from Littleton line to Acton Center provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex.

Art. XXXIII B Voted to instruct the selectmen to confer with the officials of the Boston & Maine R R and obtain if possible the objects specified in the article.

Art. XXXIII Voted to pass over the article.

Mr. James B. Tuttle made some remarks as a member of the finance committee at the conclusion of which the meeting gave him a unanimous vote of thanks for his service as a member of the finance committee for many years.

During the meeting the following resolution was presented and unanimously passed.  
Resolved: That we extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Murray Brown for the faithful and invaluable service he has given to the town of Acton during his term of office as selectman. That a copy of this vote be sent to Mr. Brown by the clerk.

Warrant for the Presidential Primary

April 24, 1928

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in their respective voting places, to wit: Precinct I Town Hall, Precinct II Universalist Church, South Acton, Precinct III Fire House West Acton, Tuesday, the twenty-fourth day of April, 1928 at 6 o'clock P. M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the following officers:  
7 Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

7 alternate Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

8 Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

8 alternate Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 5th Congressional Dist.

2 alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 5th Congressional District.

4 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 5th Congressional Dist.

4 alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 5th Congressional District.

Presidential Preference  
Preference for the Republican Candidate for President

of the United States. Preference for Democratic Candidates for President of the United States.

The polls will be open from 6 P.M. to 9 P.M. and you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 4th day of April, A.D. 1928.

Howard J. Billings }  
Waldo E. Whitcomb } Selectmen of  
Hendell F. Davis } Acton

A true copy:

Attest John T. McNiff Constable.  
April 14, 1928

### Record of the Primary Election

April 24, 1928.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person. And the title of the office for which he was proposed.

	Prec. I.	Prec. II.	Prec. III.	Total.
Republican Party				
Delegates at Large				
Group				
William M. Butler	37	26	51	114
Frederick V. Gillett	36	26	50	112
Channing V. Cox	36	26	52	114
Eben S. Draper	35	26	49	110

	Prec. I.	Prec. II.	Prec. III.	Total
Pauline R. Thayer	33	27	48	108
Minnie R. Dwight	32	23	44	99
Grace H. Bagley	31	21	39	91
Not Grouped				
Frederick L. Anderson	15	11	16	42
Blanks	67			67
Alternate Delegates at Large				
Group				
Louise M. Williams	37	25	47	109
Mary Pratt Potter	35	25	47	107
Eliot Wadsworth	36	25	48	109
Frederick H. Prince	38	26	49	103
Butler Ames	39	27	48	114
Edwin F. Leonard	35	25	47	107
Raoul H. Beaudreau	33	25	47	105
District Delegates Fifth District				
Group				
Charles P. Howard	37	26	48	111
Charles A. Stevens	32	25	47	104
Not Grouped				
Irving A. Priest	5	0	6	11
Alternate District Delegates Fifth District				
Group				
Frank M. Andrew	38	25	49	112
Edward T. Simoneau	36	25	48	109
Presidential Preference				
Hoover	33	28	41	102
Coolidge	8	—	9	17
Dawes		1		1
A. E. Smith	1			1
Democratic Party				
Delegates at Large				
Group				
David L. Walsh	3	2	3	8
James M. Curley	3	2	3	8
Andrew J. Peters	3	2	3	8

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Prec. III	Total
Charles W. Cole	3	1	3	7
Joseph B. Ely	3	2	3	8
Helen A. MacDonald	3	2	2	7
William J. Foley	3	2	3	8
Edward J. Kelley	3	2	3	8
Not Group				
Lawrence F. Quigley	0	1	1	2
Alternate Delegates at Large				
Charles W. McGee	3	1	3	7
Strabo V. Claggett	3	1	3	7
Joseph Santocussio	3	1	3	7
Bernard M. Wolf	3	1	3	7
Elizabeth C. McNerney	3	1	2	6
Dorothy Whipple Fry	3	1	2	6
James A. Donovan	3	2	3	8
Raymond V. McNamara	3	2	3	8
District Delegates - Fifth District				
John H. Buery	1	1	1	3
Cornelius F. Cronin	2	1	1	4
Cornelius Desmond Jr.	2	1	2	5
John J. Gilbridge	0	2	2	4
Joseph W. Walloran	0	0	3	3
James F. Heslin	0	0	0	0
Katherine F. McCarthy	2	1	2	5
Edward J. Rogers	1	0	0	1
Alternate District Delegates - Fifth District				
James V. Kennessy	3	2	3	8
Sarah G. Sparks	3	1	2	6
Patrick J. Mccharv	3	1	3	7
John J. O'Connor	3	1	2	6
Not Group				
Michael J. Kelley	0	0	0	0
John P. O'Connell	0	0	0	0
Henry J. Sullivan	0	0	0	0
Presidential Preference				
A. E. Smith	3	1	—	4
Alfred E. Smith		1	2	3

# Warrant for State Primary Sept 18, 1928

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex ss. Acton, Sreeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in their respective voting places, to wit, Precinct 1. Town Hall, Precinct 2. Universalist Church South Acton, Precinct 3. Fire House West Acton.

Tuesday, the Eighteenth Day of September 1928. at 6.30 O'clock P.M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Offices for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor for this Commonwealth

Lieut. Governor " " "

Secretary of the Commonwealth " "

Treasurer and Receiver General " "

Auditor of the Commonwealth " " "

Attorney General " " "

Senator in Congress " " "

Representative in Congress 5th Congressional Dist.

Councillor Third Councillor District

Senator Fifth Senatorial "

One Representative in General Court Eleventh Rep. "

County Commissioners (2) Middlesex County

Register of Deeds Middlesex District

Clerk of Court Middlesex County

In Middlesex County Associate County Commissioner

And for the Election of the following officers

District member of State Committee

for each political party for the 5th Senatorial District

16 members of the Republican Town Committee

10 members of the Democratic Town Committee

3 Delegates to the State Conventions of the Rep. Party.

10 Delegates to State Conventions of the Democratic Party  
all the above candidates and officers are to be voted for  
upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from 6:30 to 9:30 P.M.  
And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting  
attested copies thereof seven days at least before the  
time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.  
Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant  
with your doings thereon at the time and place of  
said meeting.

Given under our hands this fourth day of  
September, A.D. 1928.

Edward J. Billings }  
Haldo E. Whitcomb } Selectmen of  
Hendell F. Davis } Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within  
warrant by posting attested copies thereof as  
therein directed. Acton Sept. 7, 1928.

John T. McNiff  
Constable of Acton.

Record of the State Primary Sept. 18, 1928.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town  
of Acton, held in accordance with the foregoing  
warrant, all the ballots given in were counted,  
recorded and declaration thereof made as by law  
directed and the following is a true record of the  
names of all persons voted for, the number of  
votes for each person and the title of the office  
for which he was proposed.

Candidates of the Republican Party	Pres.	Vice Pres.	Sen.	Total
Whole number of ballots cast	118	139	229	486
Frank L. Allen	67	81	129	277
Frank A. Goodwin	50	55	92	197
Charles F. Cole	1			1

	Pres. I.	Pres. II.	Pres. III.	Total
Lieut. Governor				
George A. Bacon	7	4	6	17
Charles Lawrence Burrill	13	9	14	36
Rehg. S. Holmes	5	3	2	10
John C. Hall	35	41	110	186
Robert M. Leach	5	23	4	32
Mycliffe C. Marshall	2	0	3	5
John W. Sherburne	13	12	12	37
William Sterling Youngman	32	39	61	132

	Pres. I.	Pres. II.	Pres. III.	Total
Secretary				
Frederick H. Cook	107	118	200	425

	Pres. I.	Pres. II.	Pres. III.	Total
Treasurer				
Fred J. Burrill	25	31	68	124
John H. Kaigis	44	38	62	144
J. Ernest Kerr	11	7	19	37
Russell A. Wood	26	35	40	101

	Pres. I.	Pres. II.	Pres. III.	Total
Juditor				
Swight L. Allison	7	5	25	37
Julia B. Burton	6	6	8	20
Roland V. Chute	23	27	27	77
Alonzo B. Cook	52	55	102	209
Harvey E. Frost	7	20	9	36
Roswell F. Phelps	7	5	3	15

	Pres. I.	Pres. II.	Pres. III.	Total
Attorney General				
Clarence A. Barnes	61	57	98	216
Joseph E. Warner	50	61	99	210

	Pres. I.	Pres. II.	Pres. III.	Total
Senator in Congress				
Butler Ames	24	6	43	73
Eben S. Draper	24	51	48	123
Benjamin Loring Young	67	64	111	242

	Pres. I.	Pres. II.	Pres. III.	Total
Congressman				
Edith House Rogers	110	124	175	409

Councillor	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Philip Russell Ammidon	16	13	25	54
Esther M. Andrews	31	37	70	138
Frank L. Nagle	12	7	12	31
Benjamin E. Robinson	11	17	18	46
Ralph R. Stratton	21	33	27	81
Senator				
Henry T. S. Nyson	51	67	116	234
George S. Moyle	48	51	63	162
Representative in General Court				
James G. Grimes	64	106	187	357
Edward J. Robbins	45	26	30	101
County Commissioners				
Nathaniel L. Bowditch	73	88	125	286
Halter C. Hardwell	72	86	130	288
Clerk of Courts				
Ralph W. Smith	101	111	178	390
Register of Deeds				
Thomas Leighton	102	112	170	384
Associate Commissioners				
Danail A. Sorman	18	23	37	78
Melvin S. Rogers	71	81	114	266
State Committee				
George H. Dale	88	102	140	330
Delegates to State Convention				
C. Esther Edney	92	113	115	320
Albert P. Durkee	100	110	113	323
James A. Grimes	93	117	121	331

Town Committee
James A. Grimes
Benjamin J. Ingerson
Frank H. Hoyt
C. Esther Edney
Ella L. Miller
Charlotte Conant
Albert P. Durkee
Clara L. Sawyer
Howard J. Billings
Annie M. Blanchard
Evangeline P. Hall
Charles J. Holton
George E. Clapp
William Munn
David C. Harris
Karlson E. Tuttle

Candidates of Democratic Party	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Whole number of votes cast				22
Governor				
Charles W. Cole	6	8	8	22
John J. Cummings	0	0	0	0
Lieut. Governor				
John F. Malley	5	4	4	13
Charles L. Murphy	0	1	3	4
Secretary				
Joseph Santasussso	5	4	7	16
Treasurer				
James P. Bergin	2	4	4	10
Daniel England	1	0	2	3

	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
<i>Auditor</i>				
Strabo H. Claggett	4	2	2	8
Leving Lewis	0	1	1	2
Francis J. O'Sorman	0	1	4	5
<i>Attorney General</i>				
Edward P. Barry	5	6	6	17
William R. Scharton	0	0	1	
<i>Senator in Congress</i>				
David S. Walsh	5	8	8	21
<i>Congress man</i>				
Cornelius F. Cronin	5	3	4	12
Joseph M. Kolloran	0	2	4	6
James F. Keshin	0	0	0	0
<i>Councillor</i>				
Henry H. Brett	4	4	7	15
<i>Senator</i>				
Paul A. Mogan	4	4	7	15
<i>Representative in General Court</i>				
none				
<i>County Commissioners</i>				
George L. Colson	2	3	3	8
Daniel F. McBride	0	2	6	8
<i>Clerk of Courts</i>				
Edward Loughlin	2	0	0	2
<i>Register of Deeds</i>				
John C. Kelleher	4	3	7	14
<i>Associate Commissioners</i>				
none				

	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
<i>State Committee</i>				
James V. Kennessy	6	4	6	16
James W. Sheridan	0	0	1	1
<i>Delegates to State Convention</i>				
David R. Kenley	1	6	7	14
<i>Town Committee</i>				
David R. Kinsley	3	5	7	15
Daniel F. MacDonald	3	4	7	14
Harold J. Coughlin	3	4	7	14
Daniel W. Sheehan	3	5	7	15
Annie E. McCarthy	3	4	8	15

Warrant for State Election

Nov. 6, 1928

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex ss:

To either of the constables of the Town of Acton,  
in the County aforesaid, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
you are hereby required and directed to notify and  
warn the inhabitants of said town of Acton  
who are qualified to vote at elections therein to  
meet in the several polling places in their  
respective precincts; to wit Precinct 1 Town Hall  
Precinct 2 Universalist Church South Acton Precinct 3  
Fire House West Acton on Tuesday the sixth day  
of November 1928 at 11 o'clock then and there  
there to bring in to the precinct officers of their  
respective precincts their votes on one ballot  
for Presidential Electors; Governor; Lieut Governor;  
Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney General;  
Senator in Congress; Congressman for the Fifth  
Congressional District; Councillor for <sup>the</sup> Third District;  
Senator for the Fifth Middlesex District; one  
Representative in the General Court for the Eleventh  
Middlesex District; Two County Commissioners;  
Clerk of Courts; Register of Deeds; and one Associate  
Commissioner for Middlesex County to fill vacancy

Also to vote yes or No on the following  
questions:

1. Acceptance of the following proposed law, Am. Act  
to permit certain sports and games on the Locker  
Day.
2. Shall the senator from this district be instructed  
to vote for a resolution requesting Congress to take  
action for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment  
to the Constitution of the United States, known  
as the prohibition amendment.

The Polls will be open at 11 o'clock in the  
forenoon and may be closed at 8 o'clock in the

evening at each and all of the several precincts.  
And you are hereby commanded to serve this  
warrant by posting attested copies thereof  
at each of the places as directed by vote of  
the town seven days at least before the time  
appointed for holding said meetings. Hereof  
fail not and make due return of this warrant  
with your doings thereon to the clerk or selectmen  
as soon as may be.

Given under our hands in Acton this 24th  
day of October in the year one thousand  
nine hundred and twenty eight.

Selectmen of Acton

Howard J. Billings

Valdo E. Whitcomb

Kendell F. Davis

This is to certify that I have served the  
within warrant by posting attested copies  
thereof as therein directed. Acton Oct 27, 1928

John T. McNiff

Constable of Acton

## Record of State Election Nov. 6, 1928

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance with the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law directed, and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed.

Party designations. D. Democrat, S. L. Socialist Labor, Th. P. Workers Party, S. Socialist, R. Republican

Electors of President and Vice President  
Foster and Gittow Workers Party  
at large Hubert Riley 8. Adolph Suikonen  
" " Robert Zelms 9. Joseph Goldberg  
1. William Jankhonen 10. Lewis Marks  
2. John Louko 11. John Kurwitz  
3. Henry Sage 12. Elsie Pultur  
4. George Kiaska 13. Alexander Taraska  
5. Emma P. Hutchins 14. Nathan A. Kay  
6. Joseph Linsburg 15. Stephen Puleo  
7. Sholom Feinstein 16. Boris Kleid

Prec. 1 Prec. 2 Prec. 3 Total  
none none Two 2

Koover and Curtis Republican  
at large Mabel C. Batchelder 8. Heldegarden I. Christenson  
" " John Richardson 9. Frank A. Bayrd  
1. Oscar O. LaMontagne 10. Edward S. Graves  
2. Phelps Brown 11. Lucy H. Cox  
3. Calvin D. Paige 12. Sadie Lynne Shulman  
4. George T. Booth 13. E. Mark Sullivan  
5. Paul H. Beaudeau 14. Adeline Ricci  
6. Elizabeth H. Dunham 15. Carl A. Terry  
7. Cornelius J. Corcoran 16. Bertha N. Packard

Prec. 1 Prec. 2 Prec. 3 Total  
Two hundred fifty two, Three hundred 17, 332 901

Reynolds and Crowley Socialist Labor  
at large Louis Galber 8. Peter O'Rourke  
" " Felix Menevitz 9. Daniel J. Blasington  
1. Patrick A. Murphy 10. Barnett Hasserman  
2. George A. Hassotis 11. Albert L. Katerman  
3. Alonzo D. Wheeler 12. Domenico A. di Girolamo  
4. Olof Olson 13. David Craig  
5. John R. MacKinnon 14. John A. Nelson  
6. John F. Mattson 15. Harry Bentley  
7. Fred E. Belcher 16. Amadee F. Vassar

Prec. 1 Prec. 2 Prec. 3 Total  
none none one 1

Smith and Robinson Democratic  
at large Arthur Lyman 8. Jessie Nordow Iszyle  
" " Martha K. Peters 9. Melvin B. Breach  
1. Daniel England 10. Felix Marcella  
2. Ray Stannard Baker 11. James M. Curley  
3. Marcus A. Coolidge 12. William J. Foley  
4. Thomas J. Barrett 13. Strabo V. Claggitt  
5. Humphrey O. Sullivan 14. Frank J. Donahue  
6. Lawrence P. Dodge 15. Edmond P. Talbot  
7. Agnes F. Higgins 16. James P. Doran

Prec. 1 Prec. 2 Prec. 3 Total  
Forty six One hundred and nineteen Fifty eight 223

Thomas and Maurer Socialist  
at large Charlotte B. Hollowell 8. Sylvester J. McBride  
" " George E. Roaver 9. Max Sandler  
1. Vincent J. Burns 10. Reuben Suralnick  
2. Nelson J. Kost 11. Lucy Lee  
3. John Suominen 12. Joseph Bearak  
4. Thomas J. Conroy 13. Patrick J. Leonard  
5. William E. Sproule 14. Frank H. Sifford  
6. Leonard Spalding 15. Hugh Dunbar  
7. Thomas J. Nicholson 16. Walter Barlow

Prec. 1 Prec. 2 Prec. 3 Total  
one none one Two

Whole number of Prec. 1 Prec. 2 Prec. 3 Total  
ballots cast 306 444 397 1147

	Pack 1	Pack 2	Pack 3	Total
Gouverneur				
Frank G. Allen R.	Two hundred thirty six	Two hundred eighty eight	Two hundred sixteen	840
Chester H. Bisby H. P.	none	none	none	none
Charles V. Cole D.	Eighty six	One hundred and twenty eight	Sixty one	245
Washington Cook T. P. E.	one	one	none	2
Mary Donovan Vapgood L. P.	one	none	none	1
Edith Hamilton MacLadden L. P.	none	none	none	0
Stephen J. Luridge L. P.	none	none	none	0
Blanks	12	27	20	59

Leut. Governor				
John Corbin H. P.	one	none	none	1
Henry C. Hess S. L. P.	none	none	one	1
Walter S. Hutchins L. P.	two	one	one	4
John F. Mallory D.	Thirty seven	One hundred and eighty one	Forty four	202
William S. Youngman R.	Two hundred and thirty five	Two hundred and eighty eight	Three hundred and fifteen	838
Blanks	31	34	36	101

Secretary				
Harry J. Carter H. P.	none	one	none	1
Frederick T. Cook R.	Two hundred and thirty three	Two hundred and eighty nine	Three hundred and two	824
Oscar Kinsalas S. L. P.	one	one	none	2
Joseph Santomaso D.	Thirty two	Eighty eight	Forty three	173
Edith M. Williams L.	Two	none	none	2
Blanks	38	55	52	145

Treasurer				
James P. Bergin D.	Thirty six	One hundred and two	Forty five	183
Albert Sprague Coolidge L.	one	four	one	6
John H. Vaigis R.	Two hundred and twenty eight	Two hundred and eighty eight	Three hundred	816
Albert Oddie H.	none	none	none	0
Charles S. Oram	one	none	none	1
Blanks	40	50	51	141

Auditor				
John H. Aiken S. L.	one	none	two	3
Alonzo B. Cook R.	Two hundred and twenty three	Two hundred and eighty nine	Two hundred and ninety	802
David A. Eisenberg L.	one	none	one	2

	Pack 1	Pack 2	Pack 3	Total
Eva Koffman H.	Four	Two	one	7
J. Jorman, Frances J. D.	Thirty seven	One hundred and two	Fifty two	191
Blanks	40	51	51	142
Attorney General				
Edward P. Barry D.	Forty	One hundred and one	Forty eight	189
Morris I. Becker S. L.	none	none	none	0
Max Lerner H.	none	none	none	0
John Weaver Sherman S.	Two	none	none	2
Joseph E. Warner R.	Two hundred and thirty nine	Two hundred and eighty nine	Three hundred and three	831
Blanks	25	54	46	125

Senator in Congress				
John J. Ballam H.	Two	none	none	2
Alfred Baker Lewis S.	Two	none	one	3
David L. Walsh D.	Sixty three	One hundred and eighty	Eighty four	297
Bertram Loring Young R.	Two hundred and twenty five	Two hundred and fifty four	Two hundred and eighty seven	764
Blanks	16	40	25	81

Congressman				
Cornelius F. Cronin D.	Thirty seven	Eighty four	Forty	161
Edith House Rogers R.	Two hundred and forty two	Two hundred and six	Two hundred and six	854
Blanks	27	54	51	132

Councillor				
Esther M. Andrews R.	Two hundred and twenty seven	Two hundred and sixty seven	Two hundred and seventy six	770
Henry H. Brett S.	Forty four	Ninety five	Forty two	181
Blanks	35	82	79	196

Senator				
Paul A. Mogan D.	Thirty seven	Ninety seven	Forty one	175
George S. Moyer R.	Two hundred and thirty two	Two hundred and twenty one	Two hundred and ninety three	796
Blanks	37	76	63	176

Representative in General Court				
Edward J. Robbins R.	Two hundred and forty two	Two hundred and ninety six	Two hundred and ninety two	830
Blanks	64	148	105	317

County Commissioners	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Nathaniel A. Bowditch R.	Two hundred and fifteen	Two hundred and forty nine	Two hundred and fifty two	716
George L. Colson D.	Twenty eight	Eighty eight	Thirty seven	153
Samuel F. McBride D.	Twenty five	Eighty five	Thirteen	143
Walter C. Hardwell R.	One hundred and ninety five	Two hundred and twenty one	Two hundred and thirty three	650
Blanks	35	245	54	423

## Clerk of Courts

John D. Medeiros D.	Twenty seven	Eighty five	Thirty seven	149
Ralph W. Smith R.	Two hundred and twenty three	Two hundred and fifty three	Two hundred and eighty nine	745
Blanks	56	106	91	253

## Register of Deeds

John C. Kelleher D.	Thirty one	Eighty	Thirty six	147
Thomas Leighton R.	Two hundred and twenty four	Two hundred and fifty four	Two hundred and seventy	748
Blanks	31	110	91	252

## Associate Commissioner

Melvin S. Rogers R.	Two hundred and thirty three	Two hundred and sixty six	Two hundred and twenty one	770
Blanks	73	178	126	377

## Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Question 1. Shall the proposed law which provides that it shall be lawful in any city which accepts the act by vote of its city council and in any town which accepts the act by vote of its inhabitants, to take part in or witness any athletic outdoor sport or game, except horse racing, automobile racing, boxing or hunting with firearms, on the Lord's day between 2 and 6 P.M.; that such sports or games shall take place on such playgrounds, parks or other places as may be designated in a license issued by licensing authorities; that no sport or game shall be permitted in a place other than a public playground or park within one thousand feet of any regular place of worship, that the charging of admission fees or the taking of collections or the receiving of remuneration by any person in charge of or

participating in any such sport or game shall not be prohibited; that the license may be revoked; and that in cities and towns in which amateur sports or games are permitted under existing law such amateur sports or games may be held until the proposed law is accepted or the provisions of the existing law fail of acceptance on resubmission to the people, which law was disapproved in the Senate by a vote of 9 in the affirmative and 22 in negative, and in the House of Representatives by a vote of 93 in the affirmative and 110 in the negative, be approved

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	Eighty one	One hundred and forty nine	One hundred and thirty	346
No	One hundred and fifty one	One hundred and sixty six	One hundred and eighty six	503
Blank	74	129	95	298

## Question 2

## Question of Public Policy

Shall the senator from this district be instructed to vote for a resolution requesting Congress to take action for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, known as the prohibition amendment

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	Eighty seven	One hundred and forty one	One hundred and three	331
No	One hundred and fifty	One hundred and twenty one	One hundred and twenty six	517
Blanks	69	132	98	299

# Presidential Election Recount

Nov. 15, 1928

For Governor and Attorney-General

This is to certify that on the above date, the votes cast in Acton at the State Election Nov. 6, 1928 for Governor and Attorney-General were counted by us and the following are the names of persons voted for and the number of ballots for each person.

For Governor

Frank L. Allen	had	847
Chester H. Birby		0
Charles W. Cole		239
Washington Cook		1
Mary Donovan Kappgood		1
Edith Hamilton MacGadden		0
Stephen J. Surridge		0
Blanks		59

For Attorney-General

Edward P. Barry	189
Morris L. Becker	0
Max Lerner	0
John Heaven Sherman	2
Joseph E. Warner	834
Blanks	122
Total Votes	1147

Edwin A. Phalen	) Registrars of Voters Acton
Charles J. Kolton	
Daniel H. Shuckan Jr.	
Vernice F. Tuttle	

# Vote for Representative 11th Middlesex District Nov. 6, 1928

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Westford	Totals
Edward L. Robbins of Chelmsford	830	476	187	2129	541	662	4825
Blanks	317	258	56	878	140	482	2131
	1147	734	243	3007	681	1144	6956

Vernice F. Tuttle	Town Clerk of Acton
Harold J. Wellington	" " Bedford
Ruth C. Wilkins	" " Carlisle
Harold C. Peterson	" " Chelmsford
Eliot M. Young	" " Littleton
Charles L. Kildreth	" " Westford

# Warrant for a Special Town Meeting Nov. 7, 1928

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton,  
in said County.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, at aforesaid, to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Wednesday November 7th 1928, at 8 o'clock in the evening. Then and there to act on the following articles.

Art. 1 To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care of shade trees, or act anything thereon.

- Art. 3. To see if the Town will appropriate an additional sum of money for the use of the Department of Public Welfare.
- Art. 2. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for soldiers relief, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 4. To see whether the Town will authorize the School Committee to sell the two school buses.
- Art. 5. To determine whether the Town will appropriate the money received from the sale of the two school buses to the use of the school Committee.
- Art. 6. To determine whether the Town will adopt the following by-law: Section I, Article 6, The School Committee shall have the power to sell personal property of the Town relating to the School Department, or give such personal property in full or partial payment for services rendered or goods received, provided, that the value of such property involved in a single transaction shall not exceed \$500  $\frac{7}{100}$ .
- Art. 7. To determine whether the Town shall authorize the School Committee to dispose of, by sale or otherwise, the outbuildings at the Acton Center School.
- Art. 8. To determine whether the Town will authorize the appointment of a committee which shall have the power to determine the compensation to be paid to the children, or to the parents of the children, injured in the accident to the school bus in So Acton, and to petition the legislature to authorize the payment of such compensation.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this 25th day of October, 1928.

Selectmen of Acton  
 Constable  
 John T. McRiff  
 Oct 27, 1928.  
 Howard J. Billings  
 Eldon C. Whitcomb  
 Wendell H. Davis

Abstract of the special meeting held Nov 7, 1928.

- Art. 1. Voted: To appropriate from the surplus revenue of 1927, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.
- Art. 2. Voted: To appropriate from the surplus revenue of 1927, the sum of three hundred dollars.
- Art. 3. Voted: To appropriate from the surplus revenue of 1927, the sum of three hundred dollars.
- Art. 4. Voted: To authorize the school committee to sell the two school buses.
- Art. 5. Voted: To appropriate the money received from the sale of the school buses to the use of the school committee.
- Art. 6. Voted: To pass over the article.
- Art. 7. Voted: That the school committee be authorized to dispose of, by sale or otherwise, the outbuildings at the Acton Center school.
- Art. 8. Voted: That the matter be referred to the selectmen and school committee, with instructions to employ counsel, to inquire into all matters relating to claims and liability on account of the accident to the school bus at South Acton April 27, 1928, and to report with their recommendations at the

next annual town meeting.

Town Warrant for Annual Meeting.  
March 11, 1929.  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton,  
in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct 1 - Town Hall in said Acton

Precinct 2 - Universalist Church, South Acton

Precinct 3 - Fire House, West Acton.

At 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, the fourth day of March, 1929, by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said fourth day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three for department of public welfare for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three years, one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee Memorial library for three years, one tree warden for one year.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock p. m.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, as aforesaid, to meet at the Town Hall in said Acton, on Monday, March 11th, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.
- Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.
- Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.
- Art. 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.
- Art. 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.

- Art. 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown-tail and gypsy Moths.
- Art. 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1929, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.
- Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300., or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under provisions of sections 40 to 45, Chapter 28, General Laws of Massachusetts.
- Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to instal three (3) additional street lights on Central Street in South Acton, between Martin Street and the residence of Sidney Richardson, or act anything thereon.

- Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to condition Martin Street from Maple Street to Stow Road, by re-surfacing, grading and coating with tarvia, supplying new catch basins and culverts where necessary for complete drainage, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to erect a light pole, twenty feet or thereabouts, north of the bridge crossing the stream on Martin Street and on the east side of above street, and maintain a light on said pole, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to instruct the board of health to arrange to keep open for not more than two days in each week, the public dump in precinct one, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300, to be used, or any part of it, to grade the now abandoned dump in precinct one, opposite the cemetery, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 20. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate, to repair Harris Street in the northerly part of the town.
- Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the unexpended balance of \$65.95 from the surplus war bonus fund to fix up the common at Acton Center, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 22. To see what action the town will take with regard to electric street lighting.
- Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate

the sum of \$1,500 to continue the re-construction of Laws Brook road to the Concord line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to continue the re-construction of School street from its intersection with Laws Brook road to the State Highway, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex or act anything thereon.

Art. 25. To see if the town if the town will appropriate the sum of \$1,000 one thousand dollars to gravel Arlington street from Elm street, going east.

Art. 26. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the purpose of re-building the road extending from Fletcher Corner to the Maynard line, or act anything thereon.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair Summer street from Willow street to the Roxboro line.

Art. 28. To see what action the town will take with regard to the purchase of new road machinery.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to accept the ladder truck which has been constructed by the members of the South Acton Fire Department, said truck to be part of the fire fighting equipment of the town of Acton but to be housed at the South Acton Fire House, in charge of the South Acton Fire Department.

Art. 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate

the sum of \$500 to continue the re-construction of Nashoba road.

Art. 31. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 for town forest work.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to lay out and build a road from Massachusetts Avenue, West Acton, to the driveway leading to Mr. Orla Nichols house, following the line of the abandoned electric car road, or act anything thereon.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of macadamizing Stow street from the main street bridge to the lumber yard, or act anything thereon.

Art. 34. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light, at or near the houses of A. C. Jones, E. N. Hall, Jr. and B. E. Hall, on Arlington street.

Art. 35. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light near the high school building, at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and the Cutler road, so called.

Art. 36. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to grade the west corner of Cutler road so called, where it enters Massachusetts Avenue.

Art. 37. To see if the town will re-appropriate the sum of \$1500 from cash on hand in the treasury for the purpose of re-constructing the Nagog Hill road from the Littleton line to Acton Center, and instruct the selectmen to obtain an allotment

from the County of Middlesex on this project if possible, or act anything thereon.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the unused gravel pit, located on the State road, about one mile north of East Acton village.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000 to develop the high school athletic field, or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this sixth day of February, 1929.

Howard J. Billings  
Waldo E. Whitcomb  
Kendell F. Davis.  
Selectmen of Acton.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrants as therein directed.

Constable John T. McNiff  
Feb 23. Acton 1929

### Record of Town Election March 4, 1929.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Acton held in accordance of the foregoing warrant all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the names of all persons voted for, the title of the office, the number of votes for each person.

	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Total
Whole number of votes cast	28	39	34	101
Moderator for one year				

	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Total
Allen Brooks Parker	27	37	30	94
J. E. Kinsley	0	0	1	1
sworn in by town clerk				
Town Clerk, for one year				
Horace F. Tuttle	27	37	33	97
sworn in by moderator				
Selectman for three years				
Howard J. Billings	26	38	33	97
Henry Capella	1	0	0	1
Charles Tate	0	0	1	1
Assessor for three years.				
Albert P. Durkee	28	36	31	95
James French	0	0	1	1
sworn by the Town clerk				
Board of Public Welfare for one year				
Howard J. Billings	26	39	32	97
sworn in by the town clerk				
Waldo E. Whitcomb	27	36	30	93
sworn in by the town clerk				
Kendell F. Davis	27	39	31	97
sworn in by the town clerk				
Henry Capella	1	0	0	1
Treasurer for one year				
Frank W. Hait	28	36	32	96
sworn in by the town clerk				
Collector of Taxes for one year				
Charles A. Durkee	27	37	32	96
sworn in by town clerk				
School Committee for three years				
Lulu L. Clark	24	36	30	90
Forest E. Bean	26	35	27	88
<sup>both</sup> Sworn in by town clerk				
Constable for one year				
Michael Foley	28	37	29	94
sworn in by town clerk				
Alan B. Frost	25	37	31	93
sworn in by town clerk				

	Pct. 1.	Pct. 2.	Pct. 3.	Total
John T. McHuff sworn in by town clerk	28	36	32	96
Charles A. Durkee sworn in by town clerk	26	37	32	95
George Hayward Cemetery Commissioner for three years	0	1	0	1
Fred W. Green	27	34	31	92
A. H. Hetherbee sworn in by Board of Health for three years	0	0	1	1
Raymond F. Durkee sworn in by the town clerk	25	35	31	91
Trustee of Memorial Library for three years				
J. Sidney White	27	36	29	92
Tree Warden for one year				
James O'Neil sworn in by the town clerk	27	36	31	94

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting  
held March 11, 1929.

- Art. 1. Chose Warren H. Jones, trustee of the Elizabeth White fund for three years.  
Chose Clarence J. Cram, trustee of the West Acton Fireman's Relief fund for three years.  
Chose Charles E. Smith, trustee of the Goodnow fund for three years.  
Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at three quarters of one per cent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be two hundred dollars per annum and the other members one hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be fifteen dollars for the annual meeting and ten dollars for other meetings.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the board of public welfare be seventy five dollars per annum and the other members forty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer be five hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be four hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town clerk be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the assessors be five hundred and fifty dollars in the aggregate per annum to be apportioned as they may determine and fifty dollars for the salary of a clerk.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

- Art. 2. Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers as printed.

- Art. 3. Voted: To receive the report of the committee as a report of progress and that the committee be continued for the purpose for which it was chosen.

Art. 4. Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to raise and appropriate for	
Roads General Maintenance	12000.-
Schools	45000.-
Street lighting	5016.50
Memorial Library	800.-
Books	200.-
Hydrant Service	2984.-
General government	4800.-
Buildings and grounds	800.-
Cemeteries	1000.-
Military Aid	200.-
State Aid	300.-
Soldiers Relief	300.-
Police Department	1200.-
Board of Health	1000.-
Public Welfare	2500.-
Snow removal	1500.-
Care of shade trees	500.-
Reserve fund	1200.-
Unclassified	500.-
Bonds high school and others	9600.-
Interest bonds and notes	2580.-
Interest on revenue loans	2600.-
Memorial Day	300.-
Fire department maintenance	1300.-
New hose	250.-
Forest fires	500.-
Gypsy moth work	1250.-
Liability insurance	500.-
Treasurers and Collectors bonds	270.-
Public Health nurse	2200.-
Demonstration work (agriculture)	300.-
Dump grading and filling	300.-
Laws Brook road	1500.-
School street	1500.-
Road Machinery	5000.-

Nagog hill road	1500.-
Athletic field high school	2000.-
Town Forest	300.-

Art. 4. Voted: To appropriate the unexpended balance of \$55.95 from the surplus war bonus fund to improve the common at acton Center.

Voted To instruct the assessors to deduct from the amount required to be assessed the current year \$10000 on account of surplus revenue and the amount of all the estimated receipts of the town, except from loans and taxes.

Art. 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate three hundred dollars. Voted: That the Chairman of the selectmen, the Commander of the American Legion, and the Commander of the Isaac Davis Post be a committee to expend this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 6. Voted: That all taxes other than poll, shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1929 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1929 interest shall be charge at the rate of six percent per annum from Oct. 15, 1929 until such taxes are paid.

Art. 7. Voted: To appropriate thirteen hundred dollars for maintenance and two hundred and fifty for new hose.

Art. 8. Voted: To appropriate five hundred dollars and that the price per hour be fixed by the forester.

Art. 9. Voted: To appropriate twelve hundred and fifty dollars.

- Art. 10. Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars.
- Art. 11. Voted: to appropriate the sum of two hundred and seventy dollars.
- Art. 12. Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1929 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this note to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 13. Voted: To employ a public health nurse to be under the direction of the board of health.  
Voted: To appropriate \$2200 for the maintenance of said nurse.
- Art. 14. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$300.  
Voted: That the Selectmen be instructed to appoint a director.
- Art. 15. Voted: To dismiss the article.
- Art. 16. A motion to appropriate \$1000. did not prevail.
- Art. 17. Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to install a street light at the place described in the article provided it can be done without increasing the present appropriation for street lighting.
- Art. 18. Voted: To dismiss the article.
- Art. 19. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$300.
- Art. 20. Voted: That the special work called for in articles 20, 25, 26, 27, 30, 32, 33, and 36 of this warrant shall be taken care of by the selectmen, at their

- discretion under the appropriation for general maintenance of roads.
- Art. 21. Voted: To appropriate the unexpended balance, amounting to \$655.95, from the surplus war bonus fund to fix up the Common at Acton Center.
- Art. 22. Voted: That a committee of six be appointed by the selectmen with full power to act as they deem for the best interests of the town, in all negotiations relating to electric lighting in the town of Acton the ensuing year.
- Art. 23. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500 to continue the reconstruction of Laws Brook road to the Concord line provided a like amount is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.
- Art. 24. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500 to continue the reconstruction of School street from its intersection with Laws Brook road to the State Highway provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.
- Art. 25. See vote recorded under article 20.
- Art. 26. See vote recorded under article 20.
- Art. 27. See vote recorded under article 20.
- Art. 28. Voted: To appropriate \$5000. for the purchase of new road machinery.
- Art. 29. Voted: To accept the ladder truck from the members

of the South Acton fire department upon the terms and conditions described in the article.

Voted: That the town place on record its hearty appreciation of the work of the members of the South Acton fire department.

Art. 30. See vote recorded under article 20.

Art. 31. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.

Art. 32. See vote recorded under article 20.

Art. 33. See vote recorded under article 20.

Art. 34. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to procure the installation of one street light to be located as described in the article.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$16.52 for the maintenance thereof.

Art. 35. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to petition for such changes in street light locations as will provide a light at the place described in the article, such changes to be made without expense to the town.

Art. 36. See vote recorded under Article 20.

Art. 37. Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$1500 for the purpose of reconstructing Wagon Hill road as called for in the article.

Voted: To instruct the selectmen to obtain if possible an allotment from the County of Middlesex.

Art. 38. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to tender to Mr. Murray Brown a deed of the land referred to in Art. 38 for the sum of one dollar.

Art. 39. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to develop the high school athletic field, to be expended under the direction of the school committee.

Town Warrant for Annual Meeting  
March 10, 1930.  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton  
in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct 1. Town Hall in said Acton.

Precinct 2. Universalist Church, South Acton

Precinct 3. Fire House, West Acton.

At 12 o'clock noon, on Monday the third day of March 1930 by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said third day of March To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One Moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three for the department of public welfare for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three years, one for school committee for one year to fill the unexpired term of Edgar H. Hall, one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee memorial library for three years, one tree warden for the one year.

The polls will be opened at 12 o'clock noon, and closes at 7 o'clock P M.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify the

legal voters of said town of Acton as aforesaid to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Monday the 10th day of March at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles.

- Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.
- Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.
- Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial Day.
- Art. 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.
- Art. 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fire and fix price thereon.
- Art. 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown tail and gypsy moth.

- Art. 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employes of the town or act anything thereon.
- Art. 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds or act anything thereon.
- Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st 1930 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.
- Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00, or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of Middlesex County Extension service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 Chapter 128 General Laws of Massachusetts.
- Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell any unused equipment of the different departments of the town or act anything thereon.
- Art. 16. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$300.00, or some other sum for the settlement of claims against the town and legal expenses in connection therewith or act anything thereon.

- Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to have one street light placed at or near the driveway of Herbert S. Davis on Main St.
- Art. 18. To see if the town will <sup>vote to</sup> appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars to rebuild Summer St. from Central St. to the Boxboro line provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex or act anything thereon.
- Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars to rebuild Newtown Road from Main St. to the Littleton line provided a like sum is allotted to the town by the State and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex or act anything thereon.
- Art. 20. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for town forest work or act anything thereon.
- Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to accept the Board of Survey act in accordance with Chapter 41 Sections 73 to 81 inclusive general laws or act anything thereon.
- Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to present to the town at the next annual town meeting a tentative zoning map and laws in accordance with Chapter 40 Section 25 general laws or act anything thereon.
- Art. 23. To see if the town will appoint a planning board in accordance with Chapter 41 Section 70 general laws.

- Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to establish and maintain a street light on the pole opposite the Acton Motor Co. School St. West Acton or act anything thereon.
- Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to buy new improved equipment for the Fire Truck in precinct three or act anything thereon.
- Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) for the purpose of reconstructing the roof of the Fire House at Acton Center so as to provide a room on the second floor for firemans meetings or any other town purposes or act anything thereon.
- Art. 27. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars (\$650.00) to install a compressed air whistle at the fire house in South Acton or act anything thereon.
- Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3500.00) to develop the High School athletic field and grounds or act anything thereon.
- Art. 29. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to remove the fountain located in the center of Quimby square and to connect water to the stone trough on School Street or act anything thereon.
- Art. 30. To see what action the town will take with regards to a tercentennial celebration.
- Art. 31. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00) to improve the ground for parking purposes around the town hall or act anything thereon.

- Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to relocate the highway at the Southeast corner of Quimby square and appropriate a sum of money therefor or act anything thereon.
- Art. 33. To see what action the town will take toward placing a raised triangular plot in Quimby square conforming to the three ways, making them two way streets from all angles, placing an under ground wiring to a light or lights on a metal pole and other wise reconditioning the square or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.  
Given under our hands at Acton this fifth day of February 1930.

Waldo E. Whitcomb  
Kendell F. Davis  
Howard J. Billings  
Selectmen of Acton

This is to certify that I have served the within warrants as therein directed.  
Constable John T. McNiff

## Town Election March 3, 1930.

	Pct 1	Pct 2	Pct 3	Total
Whole number of votes cast	25	24	36	85
Moderator, one year				
Allen Brooks Parker	25	18	28	71
sworn by Town Clerk March 10, 1930.				
Town Clerk, one year				
Norace F. Tuttle	24	22	33	79
sworn by moderator March 10, 1930.				
Selectman, Three years				
Waldo E. Whitcomb	25	19	32	76
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1930.				
Assessor, Three years				
Henry L. Haynes	23	19	25	67
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1930.				
Board of Public Welfare, one year				
Howard J. Billings	25	22	33	80
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1930.				
Waldo E. Whitcomb	25	21	32	78
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1930.				
Wendell F. Davis	25	22	33	80
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1930.				
Treasurer, one year				
Frank W. Hoit	25	22	34	81
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1930.				
Collector of Taxes for one year				
Charles A. Durkee	25	21	32	78
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1930.				
School Committee, Three years				
Alberta M. Mead	24	20	35	79
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1930.				
Frank Tooley	23	19	30	72
School Committee (to fill vacancy), one year				
Arthur M. Whitcomb	24	22	34	80
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1930.				
Constable, one year				
Michael Foley	24	20	27	71

Constables	Pct 1	Pct 2	Pct 3	Total
Alan B. Frost	24	21	31	76
John T. McNiff	25	22	31	78
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1930.				
Charles A. Durkee	24	20	29	73
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1930.				
Cemetery Commissioner, Three years.				
Wendell F. Davis	23	22	29	74
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1930.				
Board of Health, Three years				
Frank E. Tasker	25	15	29	69
Trustee of Memorial Library, Three years.				
Lucius A. Kesselton	24	20	31	75
Tree Wardens, one year				
James O'Neil	25	20	32	77

May 12, 1930. Randall N. Woodworth took the oath as a member of the school committee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Frank Tooley.

Abstract of the Proceedings of the  
Annual Meeting held March 10, 1930.

Art. 1. Chose Waldo E. Whitcomb trustee of the Elizabeth  
White fund for three years.

Chose H. Stuart McGregor trustee of the West  
Acton Fireman's Relief fund for three years.

Chose Charlotte Conant trustee of the Goodnow  
fund for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at  
three quarters of one per cent of the amount  
collected and to allow an additional charge for  
expense of postage incurred in the collection of  
taxes.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the  
selectmen be two hundred dollars per annum and  
the other members one hundred dollars each per  
annum.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be fifteen  
dollars for the annual meeting and ten dollars  
for other meetings.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the  
board of public welfare be seventy five dollars  
per annum and the other members forty dollars  
each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer be  
five hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant  
be four hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the assessors be nine  
hundred dollars in the aggregate per annum to be  
apportioned as they may determine the said sum  
to include any salary of a clerk.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the  
salaries of all other town officers.

Art. 2. Voted: To accept the reports of the several town  
officers.

Art. 3. Mr. Howard J. Billings reported for the committee  
chosen to investigate the matter of claims on  
account of the accident to the school bus at  
South Acton April 27, 1928.

The report of the committee appointed to consider  
the matter of electric lighting in the town of  
Acton was presented as printed in the annual  
reports of town affairs.

Voted: That the reports given be accepted as  
reports of progress.

Art. 4. Under this article and other articles in the  
warrant it was voted to appropriate for

Roads general maintenance	1	200	00	—	
Schools	4	500	00	—	
Street lighting		50	50	—	
Memorial Library books		20	00	—	
Memorial Library Current expenses		80	00	—	
Hydrant service		29	59	—	
General government		50	00	—	
Buildings and grounds		80	00	—	
Cemeteries		120	00	—	
Military Aid		20	00	—	
State Aid		20	00	—	
Soldiers relief		50	00	—	
Police Department		15	00	—	
Board of Health		10	00	—	
Public Welfare		25	00	—	
Snow removal		15	00	—	
Care of shade trees		50	00	—	
Unclassified		50	00	—	
Bonds (high school and others)		95	00	—	
Interest on revenue loans		23	00	—	
Interest on bonds and notes		22	76	—	
Memorial Day		30	00	—	
Fire Department Maintenance		20	00	—	
Fire Department New hose		70	00	—	

Forest fires	500	-
Gypsy moth work	1250	-
Liability insurance	500	-
Treasures and Collectors bonds	270	-
Public Health Nurse	2200	-
Demonstration work in agriculture	300	-
Claims settlement of	300	-
Summer Street rebuilding of	3000	-
Newtown road rebuilding of	3000	-
Town forest work	150	-
Fire House Acton Center alterations	1000	-
Fire whistle South Acton	650	-
High school athletic field	3500	-
Town Hall grounds	500	-
Committee on tercentennial observance	100	-
Quimby square alterations	200	-
	115905	-

Voted: to appropriate \$1200. from the overlay surplus for a reserve fund

Voted: to instruct the assessors to deduct from the amount required to be assessed the current year \$10,000. — on account of surplus revenue and the amount of all the estimated receipts of the town, except from loans and taxes.

- Art. 5. Voted: to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to be expended under the direction of a committee consisting of the commander of Isaac Davis Post A. A. R. the commander of the American Legion and the chairman of the selectmen.
- Art. 6. Voted: that all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1930 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after November 1, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1930 until such taxes are paid.

- Art. 7. Voted: to raise and appropriate two thousand dollars for the maintenance of the fire department and seven hundred dollars for the purchase of new hose.
- Art. 8. Voted: to appropriate five hundred dollars for fighting brush fires and that the price per hour be fixed by the forest warden.
- Art. 9. Voted: to appropriate \$250 dollars for moth work.
- Art. 10. Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars.
- Art. 11. Voted: To appropriate the sum of two hundred and seventy dollars.
- Art. 12. Voted: That the Town Treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1930 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.
- Art. 13. Voted: To employ a public health nurse to be under the direction of the board of health. Voted: To appropriate twenty two hundred dollars for the maintenance of said nurse.
- Art. 14. Voted: To appropriate the sum of three hundred (300) dollars to be expended as stated in the article and to instruct the selectmen to appoint a director.
- Art. 15. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to sell any unused equipment of the different departments.

of the town.

- Art. 16. Voted: To appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for the settlement of claims against the town and legal expenses connected therewith.
- Art. 17. Voted: To authorize the selectmen and the electric light committee appointed in 1929, acting jointly, to have one street light placed at or near the driveway of Herbert S. Davis on Main Street.
- Art. 18. Voted: To appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars to rebuild Summer street from Central street to the Roxboro line provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.
- Art. 19. Voted: To appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars to rebuild Newtown road from Main street to the Littleton line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex.
- Art. 20. Voted: To appropriate one hundred and fifty (150) dollars for town forest work.
- Art. 21. Voted: To accept the provisions of Chapter 41 Sections 73 to 81 inclusive of the General Laws known as the Board of survey act.
- Art. 22. Voted: That a committee of seven be appointed by the moderator to consider the advisability of adopting the zoning laws and also to consider the advisability of choosing a planning board to report to the town at the next annual meeting.  
The moderator appointed the committee as follows. W. Stuart Allen.

Horace F. Tuttle	William Rawitter
George A. Richardson	A. N. Kederstedt
William H. Merriam	Everett N. Montague

- Art. 23. This article was considered jointly with Art. 22. See vote recorded under Article 22.
- Art. 24. Voted: That the town maintain a street light opposite the Acton Motor Company garage.  
Voted: That the arrangements for installing such light be left with the selectmen and electric light committee acting jointly.
- Art. 25. Voted: To pass over the article.
- Art. 26. Voted: unanimously. To appropriate one thousand dollars for the purpose stated in the article.
- Art. 27. Voted: To appropriate six hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose named in the article provided an efficient whistle can be installed for that sum.  
Voted: That the selectmen and three members of the South Acton fire department to be chosen by the selectmen, be a committee to carry out this vote.
- Art. 28. Voted: To appropriate the sum of thirty five hundred dollars to develop the High School Athletic field and grounds.
- Art. 29. Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to remove the fountain in Quimby square and connect water to the stone trough on School street.
- Art. 30. Voted: That the town accept the invitation of the town of Concord to participate in a

tercentennial celebration

Voted: to instruct the town clerk to notify the town of Concord of the acceptance of their invitation

Voted: That the selectmen with Miss Charlotte Conant, Arthur T. Blanchard and Frank A. Merriam be a committee to represent the town in all matters relating to said celebration.

Voted: To appropriate one hundred dollars for the use of the committee.

Art. 31. Voted: That the matter be placed in the hands of the selectmen and that the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the work.

Art. 32. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to petition the County Commissions to relocate the line of the highway near or at the Southeast corner of Limby square.

Art. 33. Voted: That the matter be left discretionary with the selectmen with power to act. That two hundred dollars be appropriated to defray any expense incurred by the selectmen in the matter.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock in the evening. Then and there to act on the following articles

Art. I. To determine what action the Town will take regarding the proposed application of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company for a franchise to distribute gas in the Town of Acton.

Art. II. To see if the Town will vote to maintain three hydrants; one opposite the residence of H. Stuart Allen on the State Road, one on Davis Road between the residence of Luther Davis and Franklin E. Griffin, and one near the buildings of Charlotte Conant on Lowell Road.

Art. III. To see if the Town will appropriate an additional sum of money for fighting brush fires.

Art. IV. To see if the Town will vote to buy a piece of brush fire fighting equipment similar to that used and recommended by the State Forestry Department, and appropriate from the overlay surplus fund, a sum of money

therefor, or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1930.

Wendell F. Davis  
Howard J. Bellings  
Waldo E. Whitcomb

This is to certify that I have served the within warrants as there in directed. July 8, 1930.

25 Copies

John T. McNiff  
Constable of Acton.

Proceedings of the Special Meeting held July 11, 1930

Art. I Voted; That the selectmen be instructed to grant a franchise to the Boston Consolidated Gas Company to distribute gas in the town of Acton.

Voted; That the matter of requiring bonds and all matters relating to the laying of pipes in the streets of the town be left with the selectmen.

Art. II Voted; That the town maintain three hydrants one opposite the residence of W. Stuart Allen on the State road; one on Davis road between the residences of Luther Davis and Franklin Giffin and one near the residence of Charlotte Conant on Lowell Road.

Voted; That thirty dollars be appropriated from the overlay surplus fund for the cost of service the current year.

Art. III Voted; To appropriate four hundred dollars from the overlay surplus for expenses of fighting brush fires the current year.

Art. IV Voted; That the selectmen, fire chief, the three fire engineers and forest warden be a committee to investigate the matter of equipment for fighting brush fires, with authority to purchase.

Voted; To appropriate the sum of \$2500. from the overlay surplus fund therefor.

### Warrant for State Primary

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton.  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in their respective voting places, to wit: - Precinct 1, Town Hall, Precinct 2, Universalist Church, South Acton, Precinct 3, Fire House, West Acton. Tuesday, the sixteenth day of September, 1930. at 6.30 O'clock P.M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor	for this commonwealth.
Lieutenant Governor	" " "
Secretary of the Commonwealth	" " "
Treasurer and Receiver General	" " "
Auditor of the Commonwealth	" " "
Attorney General	" " "

Senator in Congress for this Commonwealth  
 Representative in Congress " 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District  
 Councillor " 3<sup>rd</sup> Councillor "  
 Senator " 5<sup>th</sup> Senatorial "  
 Representative in General Court " 11<sup>th</sup> Middlesex Representative "  
 District Attorney " Middlesex "  
 Register of Probate and Insolvency for Middlesex County "  
 County Commissioner " " "  
 Associate County Commissioners (2) " " "  
 County Treasurer " " "

And for the Election of the following officers:

District member of State Committee for each political party for the 5<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District.

16 members of the Republican Town Committee.

10 members of the Democratic Town Committee.

3 delegates to State Conventions of the Republican Party.

10 delegates to State Conventions of the Democratic Party.

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot. The polls will be open from 6.30 P.M. to 9.30 P.M. And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meetings as directed by vote of the town. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting. Given under our hands this second day of September, A.D. 1930.

Mendell F. Davis

Howard J. Billings

Waldo E. Whitcomb

Selectmen of Acton

A true copy attest John T. McNiff Constable  
Sept. 7, 1930.

This is to certify that I have served the within warrants as therein directed

Sept. 7, 1930. John T. McNiff Constable of Acton.

# Record of the State Primary - Sept. 16, 1930

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the Town of Acton, held in accordance of the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and the following is a true record of the name of all persons voted for, the number of votes of each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed. Candidates of the Republican Party

	Prec 1	Prec 2	Prec 3	Total
Whole number of ballots cast	73	67	106	246
Governor				
Frank S. Allen	68	60	99	227
John D. Devir	5	4	4	13
Lieutenant Governor				
William Sterling Youngman	69	61	89	219
Secretary				
Frederick H. Cook	68	57	88	213
Treasurer				
James William Bean	10	3	12	25
Fred Jefferson Burrell	9	16	22	47
Charles Lawrence Burrill	15	10	19	44
Russell D. Chace	15	8	20	43
Ezra D. Whitaker	1	0	1	2
George B. Willard	9	11	8	28
John H. Withington	3	1	2	6
Russell Abner Wood	11	4	3	11
Auditor				
Joseph N. Carriere	27	31	17	75
Alonzo B. Cook	39	28	71	138

	Paid 1	Paid 2	Paid 3	Total
Attorney General				
Joseph E. Warner	66	58	86	210
Senator in Congress				
William M. Butler	56	32	68	156
Eben S. Draper	16	30	34	80
Andrew Joseph Sillis	1	0	1	2
Congressman fifth district				
Edith Hourse Rogers	69	61	89	219
Councillor third district				
Esther M. Andrews	53	42	63	158
John J. Gagen	10	10	15	35
Senator fifth Middlesex district				
George E. Moyle	62	50	73	185
Representative in General Court				
George E. Ford	26	9	15	50
Louis Pfeiffer	18	34	55	105
Edward J. Robbins	25	16	28	71
District Attorney				
Warren L. Bishop	51	44	67	162
Kenneth C. Dunlop	7	6	5	18
George Stanley Harvey	9	10	23	42
Register of Probate and Insolvency				
Loring P. Jordan	66	56	81	203
County Commissioner				
Erson B. Bulow	61	42	64	167
John Ernest Quigley	6	9	8	23

Associate Commissioners	Paid 1	Paid 2	Paid 3	Total
Daniel D. Sorman	12	13	16	41
John M. Keyes	51	46	60	157
Melvin S. Rogers	40	36	46	122
County Treasurer				
Charles E. Hatfield	65	54	80	199
State Committee				
George H. Dale	57	56	72	185
Delegates to State Convention				
Albert P. Durkee	56	52	74	182
C. Esther Edney	57	51	63	171
Mendell F. Davis	2	-	-	2
Town Committee				
Benjamin J. Ineson	51	52	77	180
C. Esther Edney	50	51	77	178
Frank W. Hoyt	55	54	82	191
Harlan E. Tuttle	55	53	80	188
James A. Grimes	53	51	82	186
Howard J. Billings	53	53	82	188
Charlotte Conant	53	52	78	183
Ella L. Miller	53	52	77	182
Clara L. Sawyer	52	52	77	181
Evangeline P. Hall	51	53	77	181
Albert P. Durkee	51	53	81	185
George E. Clapp	53	53	82	188
Blanks	17	12	12	41

## Candidates of the Democratic Party

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Whole number of ballots cast.	4	7	7	18
Governor				
John J. Cummings	0	0	0	0
Joseph B. Ely	1	5	5	11
John F. Fitzgerald	3	2	2	7
Lieutenant Governor				
Strabo V. Blaggett	1	3	0	4
John F. Malley	0	2	2	4
Charles S. Murphy	1	0	1	2
Michael C. O'Neill	2	0	3	5
Secretary				
Arthur S. Flynn	3	3	3	9
Chester J. O'Brien	1	0	1	2
Joseph Santocussio	0	2	2	4
Treasurer				
John H. Dorsey	1	2	1	4
Charles F. Hurley	2	3	4	9
Fred H. Burke	1	1	1	3
Auditor				
Francis X. Hurley	2	6	5	13
Francis J. O'Shannon	0	0	2	2
Jerome J. Shea	2	1	0	3
Attorney General				
Henry P. Fielding	1	1	0	2
William R. Scharton	0	1	2	3
Harold W. Sullivan	3	3	5	11
Senator in Congress				
Marcus A. Coolidge	2	5	5	12
Eugene M. Foss	0	1	0	1
Peter J. Joyce	0	0	0	0

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Prec. III	Total
Thomas C. O'Brien	0	1	2	3
Joseph F. O'Connell	2	0	0	2
Congressman Fifth District				
Joseph M. Halloran	3	3	6	12
Councillor				
Henry W. Brett	3	5	6	14
Senator				
Paul A. Morgan	3	5	6	14
Representative in General Court				
Karl M. Perham	3	5	6	14
District Attorney				
James J. Bruin	3	2	0	5
John F. Daly	0	0	2	2
Charles H. McElue	1	3	4	8
Register of Probate and Insolvency				
John J. Butler	3	5	6	14
County Commissioner				
Robert F. Donovan	4	3	5	12
Joshua T. Howell	0	0	1	1
John Ernest Quigley	0	1	1	2
Associate Commissioners				
E. Perry Johnson	3	4	6	13
John J. Noeau, Jr.	2	1	4	7
County Treasurer				
J. Frank Tracy	2	2	3	7
Charles E. Hatfield	1	2	3	6

State Committee  
Paul A. Mogan

Delegates to State Convention

Pack I.	Pack II.	Pack III.	Total
3	7	6	16

### Warrant for the State Election

November 4, 1930.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex, s.s.

To either of the constables of the Town of Acton,  
in the County aforesaid; Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts you are hereby required and directed  
to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town  
of Acton who are qualified to vote at elections  
therein to meet in the several polling places in their  
respective precincts; to wit Precinct 1 - Town Hall,  
Precinct 2 - Universalist Church, South Acton, Precinct  
3 - Fire House, West Acton, on Tuesday the fourth day  
of November 1930 at 11 o'clock A. M. then and there  
to bring in to the precinct officers of their respective  
precincts their votes on one ballot for Governor;  
Lieut. Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney  
General; Senator in Congress; Congressman; Councillor;  
Senator; Representative in General Court; District Attorney;  
Register of Probate and Insolvency; County Commissioners;  
Associate County Commissioners; County Treasurer.

Also to vote Yes or No on the following questions:  
1. Acceptance of the Proposed Amendments to Articles  
21 and 22 of the Constitution."

2. Acceptance of the following "Law Proposed by  
Initiative Petition" "An act to repeal section 2A  
of Chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the  
general laws; inserted by Chapter three hundred  
and seventy of the acts of nineteen hundred  
and twenty-three.
3. "An act to amend chapter one hundred and thirty-one  
of the General Laws."

The Polls will be open at 11 o'clock in the  
forenoon and may be closed at 8 o'clock in the  
evening at each and all of the several precincts.  
And you are hereby commanded to serve this  
warrant by posting attested copies thereof at  
each of the places as directed by vote of  
the Town seven days at least before the time  
appointed for holding said meetings. Hereof  
fail not and make due return of this warrant  
with your doings thereon to the clerk or selectmen  
as soon as may be. Given under our hands  
in Acton this 21st day of October in the year  
one thousand nine hundred and thirty.

Selectmen of Acton  
Wendell F. Davis  
Howard J. Billings  
Waldo E. Whitcomb

This is to certify that I have served the  
written warrants as therein directed.

John T. McNeill  
Oct. 27, 1930.  
Constable of Acton

## Record of State Election November 4, 1930.

At legal meetings of the inhabitants of the Town of Acton, held in accordance of the foregoing warrant, all the ballots given in were counted, recorded and declaration was made as by law directed and the following is a true record of all the names, all persons voted for, and the number of votes for each person and the title of the office for which he was proposed. Party designations R - Republican, D - Democratic, S. L. - Socialist Labor Party, C - Communist Party, and S - Socialist Party.

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Prec. III	Total
Whole number of ballots cast	two hundred and thirty	three hundred and forty	three hundred and forty	nine hundred and four
Governor				
John H. Aiken S. L.	four	one	four	nine
Frank S. Allen R.	two hundred and four	two hundred and nineteen	two hundred and sixty eight	six hundred ninety one
Harry J. Carter C.	none	none	none	none
Joseph B. Ely D.	forty one	eighty eight	sixty	one hundred and eighty nine
Alfred Baker Lewis S.	one	one	one	three
Blanks	one	four	seven	twelve
Lieut. Governor				
Stuart V. Claggett D.	thirty five	eighty four	fifty two	one hundred and seventy one
Maria C. Conner C.	none	none	none	none
Stephen J. Luridge S. L.	none	none	two	two
Edith M. Williams S.	one	one	none	two
William Sterling Youngman R.	two hundred and seven	two hundred and twelve	two hundred and twenty one	six hundred and ninety
Blanks	eight	sixteen	fifteen	thirty nine
Secretary				
Daniel T. Blessington S. L.	none	none	none	none
Frederick W. Cook R.	two hundred and two	two hundred and seven	two hundred and sixty seven	six hundred and seventy six
Albert Sprague Coolidge S.	two	two	one	five
James H. Dawson C.	none	one	none	one
Chester J. O'Brien D.	thirty two	eighty four	forty seven	one hundred and sixty three
Blanks	fifteen	nineteen	twenty five	fifty nine

Treasurer	Prec. I	Prec. II	Prec. III	Total
Fried Jefferson Burrell R.	one hundred and twenty three	one hundred and twenty one	one hundred and twenty seven	five hundred and seventy one
Eva Hoffman C.	one	one	one	three
Charles F. Hurley D.	fifty eight	ninety six	seventy six	two hundred and thirty
Walter S. Hutchins S.	two	two	none	four
Charles S. Oram S. L.	none	none	none	none
Blanks	seventeen	thirty seven	thirty six	ninety
Auditor				
Alonso B. Cook R.	one hundred and eighty nine	one hundred and ninety nine	two hundred and fifty seven	six hundred and forty five
Harry Feldman S.	one	one	none	two
Francis V. Hurley D.	forty	eighty six	fifty four	one hundred and eighty
Albert Oddie C.	none	none	none	none
Fred E. Selcher S. L.	none	none	none	none
Blanks	twenty one	twenty seven	twenty nine	seventy seven
Attorney General				
Morris S. Becker S. L.	one	one	one	three
John H. Jansson C.	none	none	none	none
John Weaver Sherman S.	one	one	one	three
Harold H. Sullivan D.	thirty three	seventy six	forty six	one hundred and fifty five
Joseph E. Varner R.	two hundred and seven	two hundred and five	two hundred and seventy nine	six hundred and seventy one
Blanks	nine	thirty	twenty five	sixty four
Senator in Congress				
William M. Butler R.	one hundred and ninety four	one hundred and ninety six	two hundred and fifty five	six hundred and forty five
Marcus A. Coolidge D.	fifty two	one hundred and seven	sixty six	two hundred and twenty five
Oscar Kinsala S. L.	none	none	one	one
Max Lerner C.	none	none	none	none
Sylvester J. McBride S.	two	one	none	three
Blanks	six	nine	eighteen	thirty three
Congressman fifth District				
Joseph M. Halloran D.	twenty eight	sixty five	forty three	one hundred and thirty six
Edith Nourse Rogers R.	two hundred and thirteen	two hundred and thirty five	two hundred and twenty three	seven hundred and seventy one
Blanks	ten	thirteen	twenty four	forty seven

Councillor third district	Prec. I	Prec. II	Prec. III	Total
Esther M. Andrews R.	One hundred and ninety eight	One hundred and twenty seven	Two hundred and fifty one	Six hundred and forty six
Henry W. Brett D.	thirty	seventy seven	fifty	One hundred and fifty seven
Blanks	twenty three	thirty nine	thirty nine	One hundred and one

#### Senator fifth Middlesex District

Paul A. Mogan D.	forty two	eighty three	fifty one	One hundred and seventy six
George S. Moyle R.	One hundred and eighty eight	One hundred and ninety nine	Two hundred and fifty six	Six hundred and forty three
Blanks	twenty one	thirty one	thirty three	eighty five

#### Representative in General Court

Karl M. Perham D.	forty five	seventy eight	forty three	One hundred and sixty six
Louis Pfeiffer R.	One hundred and seventy nine	One hundred and ninety nine	Two hundred and fifty nine	Six hundred and thirty seven
Blanks	twenty seven	thirty six	thirty eight	One hundred and one

#### District Attorney

Harren L. Bishop R.	One hundred and ninety seven	One hundred and ninety nine	Two hundred and sixty one	Six hundred and fifty seven
John F. Daly D.	thirty one	seventy two	forty one	One hundred and forty four
Blanks	twenty three	forty two	thirty eight	One hundred and three

#### Register of Probate and Insolvency

John J. Butler D.	thirty one	seventy three	forty nine	One hundred and fifty three
Loring P. Jordan R.	One hundred and ninety one	One hundred and ninety one	Two hundred and forty seven	Six hundred and twenty nine
Blanks	twenty nine	forty nine	forty four	One hundred and twenty two

#### County Commissioner

Erson B. Barlow R.	One hundred and twenty six	One hundred and eighty two	Two hundred and sixty	Six hundred and eighty eight
Robert F. Donovan D.	twenty six	seventy three	forty six	One hundred and forty five
Blanks	twenty nine	sixty	forty one	One hundred and thirty

#### Associate Commissioners

E. Perry Johnson D.	twenty four	fifty seven	thirty four	One hundred and fifteen
John M. Keyes R.	One hundred and twenty one	One hundred and twenty five	Two hundred and thirty four	Six hundred and eighty
John J. Moreau Jr. D.	nineteen	fifty one	twenty one	ninety one
Melvin S. Rogers R.	One hundred and thirty five	One hundred and thirty two	One hundred and seventy two	Four hundred and seventy nine
Blanks	One hundred and fifty three	Two hundred and ninety nine	One hundred and fifty two	Five hundred and fifty four

County Treasurer	Prec. I	Prec. II	Prec. III	Total
J. Frank Tracy D.	twenty six	sixty eight	forty two	One hundred and thirty six
Charles E. Hatfield R.	One hundred and eighty	One hundred and seventy two	Two hundred and forty eight	Six hundred and one
Blanks	forty five	seventy two	fifty	One hundred and sixty seven

#### Question No 1.

##### Proposed Amendment to the Constitution.

Shall an amendment to the constitution relative to the apportionment of senatorial, representative and councillor districts, further described as follows:

1. The proposed amendment of the Constitution provides for the amendment of Article XXI of the Articles of Amendment of the Constitution and the substitution therefor of a new Article XXII. The proposed amendment embodies in substance the following changes in and additions to said Articles XXI and XXII.

1. In proposed Article XXI, towns of twelve thousand inhabitants or more may be divided in forming representative districts. No precincts, however, in such towns may be divided. In taking the census, the special enumeration of legal voters shall specify the number residing in each precinct of such towns. Under existing Amendment XXI no town may be divided and no specification of the number of voters in a precinct is required.

2. The division of a county into representative districts and the apportionment of representatives to districts therein is to be made by "The County Commissioners or other body acting as such or, in lieu thereof, such board of special commissioners in each county as may for that purpose be provided by law," Under Article XXI as it now stands the division and apportionment is made by "The mayor and aldermen of the city of Boston, the county commissioners of other counties than Suffolk, or in lieu of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Boston, or of the County Commissioners in each county

other than Suffolk, such board of special commissioners in each county, to be elected by the people of the county, or of the towns therein, as may for that purpose be provided by law; "The time for assembling of such commissioners, board or body for the purpose of making such division and apportionment is also changed, from the first Tuesday of August next after each assignment by the legislature of the number of representatives to each county, to a time within thirty days after certification by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to such commissioners, board or body of the number so assigned, or within such other period as the General Court may law provide.

3. Under the proposed Articles, each special enumeration shall be the basis for determining the districts, senatorial, representative and councillor, for the ten year period beginning in the fourth January following said special enumeration and the present division of districts is to remain in effect until January, 1939. Under the existing amendments the ten year period is the period between the taking of each census. (Thus, the next division based upon the next census in 1935 would, under the proposed Articles, affect those elected in 1938 to hold office beginning in January, 1939, instead of affecting those elected in 1936 to hold office beginning in January, 1937. Under existing amendments representation of newly created districts begins in January of the second year after each ten year census, whereas under the proposed article it would begin in January of the fourth year thereafter.) The number of representatives (240), Senators (40) and councillors (8) is not changed.

4. The legislature may limit the time within which a division of representative, councillor or senatorial districts may be questioned by judicial proceedings. The existing amendments contain no provision that itself limits or authorizes the Legislature to limit such time. Which received in a joint session of the two Houses held May 17, 1928, 182 votes in the affirmative and 48 in the negative, and at a joint session

of the two Houses held May 26, 1930, received 155 votes in the affirmative and 88 in the negative, be approved?

	Prech. I.	Prech. II.	Prech. III.	Total
Yes	eight	seven	and one	One hundred and nineteen
No	forty one	forty seven	forty five	and thirty three
Blanks	One hundred and twenty three	One hundred and sixty five	and eighty six	One hundred and eighty four

### Question No 2.

Law Proposed by Initiative Petition.

Shall the proposed law which amends the General Laws by striking out Chapter 138, section 24, which section provides that, "No person shall manufacture, transport by air craft, water craft or vehicle, import or export spirituous or intoxicating liquors as defined by section three, or certain non intoxicating beverages as defined by section one, unless in each instance he shall have obtained the permit or other authority required therefor by the laws of the United States and the regulations made thereunder, which law was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 110 in the affirmative and 123 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 11 in the affirmative and 26 in the negative, be approved?

	Prech. I.	Prech. II.	Prech. III.	Total
Yes	eighty two	and twenty five	and eighteen	One hundred and thirty five
No	One hundred and thirty four	thirty one	and fifty one	One hundred and sixteen
Blanks	thirty five	fifty seven	seventy one	One hundred and sixty three

### Question No 3.

Law Proposed by Initiative Petition.

Shall the proposed law which amends General Laws, chapter 131, by inserting therein a new section number 59A, which in substance makes it a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of fifty dollars for any person to use, set or maintain any trap or other device for the capture of fur bearing animals which is likely to cause continued suffering

to an animal caught therein and which is not designed to kill the animal at once or take it alive unhurt, except traps or the other devices for protection against vermin, set or maintain within fifty yards of any building or cultivated plot of land to the use of which the presence of vermin may be detrimental, which law was disapproved in the Senate by a vote of 12 in the affirmative and 24 in the negative, and in the House of Representatives by a vote of 48 in the affirmative and 167 in the negative, be approved?

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Prec. III	Total
Yes	One hundred and eighteen	One hundred and forty one	One hundred and sixty one	Four hundred and twenty
No	eighty five	ninety six	ninety eight	two hundred and seventy nine
Blanks	forty eight	seventy six	eighty one	two hundred and five

Schedule of votes cast for a Representative in General Court in the 11th Middlesex District, Nov. 4, 1930.

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Northford	Totals
Karl M. Berham of Chelmsford	One hundred and fifty six 166	One hundred and fifty six 156	Sixty two 62	Twelve hundred and eighty eight 1286	One hundred and thirteen 113	Three hundred and eighty four 384	2167
Louis Pfaffer of Bedford	Five hundred and thirty seven 637	Four hundred and thirty six 436	One hundred and seven 107	Nine hundred and eight 908	Three hundred and twenty seven 327	Four hundred and forty six 446	2863
Blanks	101	59	17	129	39	85	430
	904	651	186	2323	481	915	5460